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SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
In South-Carolina:

HELD IN TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBIA,

On the 11th and 12th of February,

1852.

WITH
LISTS OF THE CLERGY AND PARISHES,
THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS, THE CONSTITUTION, CANONS AND RULES
OF ORDER, AND THE STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

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ALPHABETICAL LIST OF THE CLERGY,

BELONGING TO THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN SOUTH-CAROLINA,

—FEBRUARY 1852.—

The Right Rev. CHRISTOPHER EDWARDS GADSDEN, *Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of St. Philip's Parish, Charleston.*

PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. Thomas S. Arthur, *Rector of Christ Church, Greenville.*

- " William H. Barnwell, *Rector of St. Peter's Church, Charleston.*
- " Charles Theodore Bland, *Missionary at six Stations in Barnwell and Edgefield Districts.*
- " John B. Campbell, *Assistant Minister of St. Philip's Church, Charleston.*
- " John W. Chanler, *in Europe.*
- " Augustus L. Converse, *Rector of the Church at Claremont, Stateburg.*
- " Andrew H. Cornish, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.*
- " John H. Cornish, *Rector of the Church of St. Thaddæus, Aiken.*
- " M. A. Curtis, *Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill.*
- " Thomas F. Davis, *Rector of Grace Church, Camden.*
- " William Dehon, *Rector of the United Churches of Pineville and Upper St. John's.*
- " Francis P. Delavaux, *residing at Barnwell C. H.*
- " J. Grimké Drayton, *Rector of St Andrew's Parish.*
- " J. H. Elliott, *Rector of the Church of Holy Trinity, Grahamville.*
- " Stephen Elliott, *Assistant Minister of Prince William's Parish.*
- " Henry Elwell, *Principal of St. Philip's School, Charleston, and Missionary.*
- " J. R. Fell, *Rector of Christ Church Parish.*
- " Philip Gadsden, *Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Stono, and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.*
- " Christopher P. Gadsden, *Assistant to the Rector of St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's.*

The Rev. Paul T. Gervais, *residing in St. John's, John's Island.*

- " Richardson Graham, *Rector of Trinity Church, Edgefield.*
- " Alexander Glennie, *Rector of All Saints' Parish, Waccamaw.*
- " Alexander Gregg, *Rector of St. David's Church, Cheraw.*
- " Charles H. Hall, *Rector of St. John's, John's Island.*
- " Christian Hanckel, D.D. *Rector of St. Paul's Ch. Radcliffeboro'.*
- " William H. Hanckel, *Rector of the Church on Edisto Island.*
- " Robert Henry, D. D. *Professor in the South-Carolina College.*
- " Rob't. T. Howard, *Rector of Prince George's Parish, Winjaw.*
- " Wm. B. W. Howe, *Rector of St John's, Berkley.*
- " Joseph Hunter, *Rector of Prince Frederick's Peedee.*
- " Nathaniel Hyatt, *Rector of St. James's, Santee.*
- " Benj. Johnson, *Rector of St. Matthew's Parish,*
- " Paul T. Keith, *Rector of St. Michael's Church, Charleston.*
- " Maurice H. Lance, *residing near Georgetown.*
- " Charles E. Leverett, *Rector of Prince William's Parish.*
- " Edward C. Logan, *Rector of the Ch. of the Messiah, N. Santee.*
- " Alex. W. Marshall, D.D, *Minister of St. John's Chap. Hamp'd.*
- " David McElheran, *Rector of St. Helena, Ch. St. Helena Island.*
- " John D. McCollough, *Rector of Calvary Church, Glenn Springs
and Church of the Advent, Spartanburg:*
- " Stiles Mellichamp, *Asst. Minister of St. Helena's, Beaufort.*
- " James W. Miles, *Professor in the Charleston College.*
- " Edward Phillips, *Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis's.*
- " C. C. Pinckney, jr. *Asst. Minister of Grace Church, Charleston.*
- " William T. Potter, *Residing in Beaufort District.*
- " W. O. Prentiss, *Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish.*
- " J. Maxwell Pringle, *Rector of Zion Church, Richland.*
- " John J. Roberts, *Rector of St. John's Church, Fairfield.*
- " Edward Reed, *officiating in North-Carolina.*
- " Joseph B. Seabrook, *Asst. to the Rector of St. Luke's Parish.*
- " Richard S. Seely, *Teacher of the School, and Assistant to the
Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis's.*
- " Peter J. Shand, *Rector of Trinity Church, Columbia.*
- " Wm. W. Spear, *Rector of Grace Church, Charleston.*
- " Paul Trapier, *Missionary at Calvary Church, Charleston.*
- " Joseph R. Walker, *Rector of St. Helena's Parish, Beaufort,*
- " Edward T. Walker, *Rector of Christ Church, Wilton.*
- " C. B. Walker, *residing at Edgefield Court-House.*
- " C. Wallace, *Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.*

The Rev. Benj. C. Webb, *Missionary in Prince William's Parish,*
among the slave population.

" Arthur Wigfall, *Rector of St. Mark's Parish, Clarendon.*

" Alsop Woodward, *Rector of St. Luke's Parish.*

" Thomas J. Young, *Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church,*
Charleston.

DEACONS.

The Rev. Wm. Green, *Minister of Trinity Church, Abbeville.*

" J. W. Simmons, *Assistant Minister of St. Stephen's Chapel,*
Charleston.

" Edwin Adolphus Wagner, *Minister of the Church of the*
Holy Communion, Cannonsboro'.

Bishop, - - - 1

Presbyters, - - - 61

Deacons, - - - 3

Total, - - - 65

The following Clergymen did not attend the meetings of the Convention, viz. —

The Rev. J. W. Chanler,

" A. H. Cornish,

" J. H. Cornish,

" M. A. Curtis,

" F. P. Delavaux,

" J. G. Drayton,

" S. Elliott,

" H. Elwell,

" P. Gadsden,

" P. T. Gervais,

" A. Gregg,

" R. T. Howard,

" N. Hyatt,

" B. Johnson,

" P. T. Keith,

The Rev. M. H. Lance,

" E. C. Logan,

" S. Mellichamp,

" J. W. Miles,

" W. T. Potter,

" W. O. Prentiss,

" J. B. Seabrook,

" R. S. Seely,

" W. W. Spear,

" E. T. Walker,

" C. B. Walker,

" B. C. Webb,

" A. Wigfall,

" A. Woodward, — 29.

LIST OF PARISHES AND CHURCHES,

IN THE DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA, WITH THE DATES OF THEIR
FOUNDATION ANNEXED.

<i>St. Philip's</i> (original Church, built 1681,) <i>Parish,</i>	1704,
<i>St. James's,</i> Parish, Santee,	1706, April 9
<i>St. Andrew's,</i> "	1706, Nov. 30
<i>St. Bartholomew's,</i> "	1706, " "
<i>Christ Church,</i> "	1706, " "
<i>St. James's,</i> " Goose Creek	1706, " "
<i>St. John's,</i> " Berkley,	1706, " "
<i>St. Thomas' & St. Dennis's,</i> "	1706, " "
<i>St. Paul's,</i> " Stono,	1706, " "
<i>St. Helena's,</i> " Beaufort,	1712, " "
<i>Prince George's,</i> " Winyaw,	1721,
<i>St. John's,</i> " John's Island,	1734,
<i>Prince Frederick's,</i> " 1734, Chapel Peedee,	1838,
<i>Prince William's,</i> "	1745,
<i>St. Michael's,</i> " 1751, Church built	1761,
<i>St. Mark's,</i> " Clarendon,	1757,
<i>All-Saints',</i> " Waccamaw,	1767, May 23.
<i>St. Luke's,</i> "	1767, " "
<i>St. Matthew's,</i> "	1768,
<i>St. David's,</i> " 1768, Church, Cheraw,	1820,
<i>Church on Edisto Island,</i>	1774,
<i>Claremont Church,</i> Stateburg,	1788,
<i>St. Helena Church,</i> St. Helena Island	
<i>Pineville & Upper St. John's,</i>	1807,
<i>St. Paul's Church,</i> Radcliffeborough,	1810,
<i>Trinity</i> " Columbia,	1812,
<i>Grace</i> " Sullivan's Island,	1817,
<i>St. Paul's</i> " Pendleton,	about 1821,
<i>Christ</i> " Greenville.	1825,
<i>Grace</i> " Camden,	1830,
<i>St. James's</i> " James Island,	1831,

<i>St. Peter's Church,</i>	Charleston,	1832,
<i>Trinity</i> "	Society Hill,	1833,
<i>Christ</i> "	Wilton,	1834,
<i>Holy Trinity</i> "	Grahamville,	1834,
<i>Trinity</i> "	Edgefield,	1835,
<i>St. John's</i> "	Fairfield,	1839,
<i>St. Philip's</i> "	Bradford Springs,	1841,
<i>Trinity</i> "	Abbeville,	1842,
<i>Church of the Messiah,</i>	North Santee,	1842,
<i>Church of St. Thaddæus,</i>	Aiken,	1842,
<i>Emmanuel Church,</i>	Chester,	1843,
<i>Zion Church,</i>	Richland,	1844,
<i>Church of the Epiphany,</i>	Laurens,	1846,
<i>Grace Church,</i>	Charleston,	1846,
<i>St. Luke's Church,</i>	Newberry,	1846,
<i>Ascension Church,</i>	Gillisonville,	1847,
<i>Church of the Advent,</i>	Spartanburg,	1847,
<i>Church of the Holy Communion,</i>	Cannonsborough,	1848,
<i>Church of the Holy Apostles,</i>	Barnwell,	1850,
<i>Calvary Church,</i>	Glenn's Springs,	1850,
<i>Grace Church,</i>	Anderson, C. H.,	1851,
<i>Church of the Redeemer,</i>	Orangeburg C. H.,	1851.
Total,	53	

CONGREGATIONS

NOT ENTITLED TO A REPRESENTATION IN THE CONVENTION.

<i>St. Stephen's Chapel,</i>	Charleston,	1822,	} <i>Mission Congregations</i>
<i>St. John's</i> "	Hampstead,	1839,	
<i>Calvary,</i> Church,	Charleston,	1849,	

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES PRESENT AT CONVENTION.

St. Philip's, Charleston, H. D. Lesesne.

St. Thomas & St. Dennis's, John L. Nowell.

Prince George, Winyaw, Jas. G. Henning.

Prince Frederick's, Peedee, Hon. R. F. W. Alston.

St. Michael's, A. E. Miller,

Claremont, Stateburgh, Col. J. J. Moore.

Pineville & Upper St. John's, Charles Sinkler.

St. Paul's Radcliffeborough, Capt. Thos. Payne, J. F. Blacklock.

Trinity, Columbia, Thos. J. Goodwyn, Alex. R. Taylor, B. F. Taylor, Dr. M. Laborde.

Grace Church, Sullivan's Island, Col. J. Bond I'On.

St. Paul's, Pendleton, Peter F. Stevens.

Christ Church, Greenville, Dr. O. B. Irvine, Thos. M. Cox.

Grace Church, Camden, Thornton Carpenter, Julius W. Stuart.

St. Peter's, Charleston, E. L. Kerrison.

St. John's, Fairfield, Theodore S. DuBose.

Trinity, Abbeville, Col. J. Foster Marshall.

Zion, Richland, Col. Wm. Goodwyn.

St. Luke's, Newberry, Edward S. Bailey, S. Hurd.

Total, 25.

MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

Columbia, February 11th, 1852.

This being the day and place appointed by the last Convention for the *sixty-third* Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of South-Carolina, a number of the Clergy and Laity assembled in Trinity Church, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Morning Prayer, with the Litany, was said by the Rev. C. P. Gadsden. The lessons were read by the Rev. Wm. B. W. Howe. The Bishop being absent on account of sickness, the Ante-communion was said by the President of the Standing Committee, the Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D., who also administered the Holy Communion, assisted in the distribution of the elements by the Rev. Messrs. Shand, Converse and Glennie. The Alms at the Communion were taken up by the Rev. Messrs. Simmons and Wagner, Deacons. The Convention Sermon was delivered by the Rev. C. H. Hall.

After Divine Service the Convention was called to order by the President of the Standing Committee, who, in the absence of the Bishop, became the President of the Convention, by the fifth Article of the Constitution.

The Roll being called, a quorum of the Clergy answered to their names, and a quorum of the Laity was found present.

The following Clergymen answered to their names :

PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. T. S. Arthur,	The Rev. Wm. B. W. Howe,
“ Wm: H. Barnwell,	“ J. Hunter,
“ C. T. Bland,	“ A. W. Marshall, D. D.
“ J. Barnwell Campbell,	“ D. McElheran,
“ A. L. Converse,	“ J. D. McCollough,
“ Thos. F. Davis,	“ C. C. Pinckney, Jr.
“ Wm. Dehon,	“ J. M. Pringle,
“ J. R. Fell,	“ J. J. Roberts,
“ C. P. Gadsden,	“ Edward Reed,
“ R. Graham,	“ P. J. Shand,
“ A. Glennie,	“ Paul Trapier,
“ C. H. Hall,	“ C. Wallace,
“ C. Hanckel, D. D.	“ T. J. Young,—27:
“ R. Henry, D. D.,	

DEACONS:

The Rev. Wm. Greene,	The Rev. E. A. Wagner,—3.
“ J. W. Simmons,	Total,—30.

The Chair appointed, as a Committee, on the List of the Clergy furnished by the Bishop, the Rev. Messrs. Young, Shand and Campbell, and the said List was referred to them.

The Certificates of Lay Delegates were referred to a Committee, consisting of Messrs. T. S. DuBose, Col. P'On and Cox.

The Committee on the List of the Clergy reported as follows :

1. That the following Clergymen are entitled to *all the privileges* of Members of this Convention, viz :—

The Rev. T. S. Arthur,	The Rev. N. Hyatt,
“ W. H. Barnwell,	“ B. Johnson,
“ J. B. Campbell,	“ P. T. Keith,
“ A. L. Converse,	“ C. E. Leverett,
“ A. H. Cornish,	“ E. C. Logan,
“ J. H. Cornish,	“ D. McElheran,
“ M. A. Curtis,	“ J. D. McCollough,
“ T. F. Davis,	“ S. Mellichamp,
“ Wm. Dehon,	“ E. Phillips,
“ J. H. Elliott,	“ C. C. Pinckney, Jr.
“ S. Elliott,	“ W. O. Prentiss,
“ J. R. Fell,	“ John J. Roberts,
“ P. Gadsden,	“ J. M. Pringle,
“ C. P. Gadsden,	“ J. B. Seabrook,
“ R. Graham,	“ R. S. Seely,
“ W. Greene,	“ P. J. Shand,
“ A. Glennie,	“ W. W. Spear,
“ A. Gregg,	“ J. R. Walker,
“ C. H. Hall,	“ E. T. Walker,
“ C. Hanckel, D. D.	“ E. A. Wagner,
“ W. H. Hanckel,	“ A. Wigfall,
“ R. T. Howard,	“ A. Woodward,
“ W. B. W. Howe,	“ T. J. Young.
“ J. Hunter,	

2. That the following are entitled to all the privileges of Members, except the right to vote in matters relating to the temporal affairs of the Churches, viz :—

The Rev. C. T. Bland,	The Rev. P. Trapier,
“ H. Elwell,	“ B. C. Webb,
“ A. W. Marshall, D. D.	“ C. Wallace.
“ J. W. Simmons,	

3. That the following Clergymen are entitled to *seats*, but not to *votes*, viz :—

The Rev. F. P. Delavaux,	The Rev. M. H. Lance,
“ J. G. Drayton,	“ J. W. Miles,
“ P. T. Grevais,	“ C. B. Walker.
“ R. Henry, D. D.	

4. That the following are entitled to neither *seats* nor *votes*, viz :—

The Rev. J. W. Chanler,
“ W. T. Potter,

The Rev. E. Reed:

This Report was made on the evidence of the Bishop's List.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Young, this Report was amended by transferring the name of the Rev. Mr. Greene to List number *three*, among those who have *seats* but not *votes* ; it appearing that he had not been twelve months in the Diocese.

The Report so amended was adopted.

The Committee on the List of Lay Delegates reported as follows :

That the following Lay Delegates are duly elected from their respective Parishes and Churches, viz :—

Prince Frederick's Chapel, Peedee, Hon. R. F. W. Allston,* Col. A. H. Belin, Col. R. S. Izard, and Dr. James Sparkman.

Prince George, Winyaw, J. Harleston Read, Sr., James H. Trapier, E. B. Rothmahler and James G. Henning.*

St. Michael's, Charleston, A. E. Miller,* Wm. Allston Hayne, Benjamin D. Roper, Jr., Benjamin H. Rutledge.

Claremont, Stateburg, J. N. Frierson, Dr. M. Reynolds, Col. J. J. Moore.*

St. Paul's, Radcliffeborough, Capt. Thomas Payne,* J. F. Blacklock,* T. G. Simons, Jr., Thos. M. Hanckel.

Trinity, Columbia, John J. Goodwyn,* Alexander R. Taylor,* B. F. Taylor,* Dr. M. Laborde.*

Grace Church, Sullivan's Island, Col. J. Bond I'On,* James L. Petigru, Wm. Jervey.

St. Paul's, Pendleton, Peter F. Stevens,* W. R. Calhoun.

Christ Church, Greenville, Dr. O. B. Irvine,* Thomas M. Cox,* Capt. W. Choice.

St. John's, Fairfield, Theodore S. DuBose.*

Trinity Church, Abbeville, Col. J. Foster Marshall.*

Zion Church, Richland, Col. Wm. Goodwyn.*

Grace Church, Charleston, Wm. Whaley, Dr. Thomas P. Greene, Col. C. G. Memminger, Thomas B. Clarkson.

Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, J. W. Murphy, J. M. Elford, Dr. L. C. Kennedy, Dr. W. C. Bennett.

Calvary, Glen's Springs, Dr. M. A. Moore, Dr. J. Winsmith.

All those marked with an asterisk () were present.

It appearing that two Churches had sent Delegates, which Churches were in arrears for the expenses of Convention for *three years*, and thus not entitled to a vote, by Article XII of the Constitution,

On motion of the Rev. Mr. McCollough,

Resolved, That such Delegates be admitted on the payment of their arrears. •

The Rev. Mr. Campbell moved that the Rev. E. Reed be declared entitled to a *seat* and *vote*, under Article III, Section 2, of the Constitution.

The Rev. Mr. Barnwell moved to amend the Resolution by striking out the words "and vote," which amendment being accepted by the mover, after debate, and an explanation of facts by the Rev. E. Reed, which was allowed by the Convention, the question was put and carried.

The Rules of Order were then read.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. McElheran, the ballot for a Secretary was dispensed with, and the Rev. C. Wallace unanimously re-elected Secretary.

The Secretary re-appointed the Rev. E. A. Wagner as his assistant.

The President appointed the Rev. Henry Elwell, as Preacher before the next Convention; and the Rev. Thos. F. Davis, as his substitute.

Also as the Committee on Unfinished Business, the Rev. Mr. Dehon, Col. J. J. Moore and Mr. Cox.

Also as the Committee on Finance, Messrs. Blacklock, R. F. W. Allston and Jno. F. Goodwyn.

The Standing Committee reported as follows, viz :—

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of South-Carolina respectfully report, that they have consented to the consecration of the Rev. Francis Huger Rutledge, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Florida, of the Rev. John Williams, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, of the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois, and of the Rev. Wm. Creighton, D. D., as Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of New-York.

They have recommended to the Bishop for Priest's Orders, the Rev. James H. Elliott, the Rev. John Grimké Drayton, the Rev. Edwin A. Wagner, and the Rev. J. Ward Simmons,—for Deacon's Orders, Mr. John Grimké Drayton; and as Candidates for Orders, Mr. A. T. Porter, Lucien C. Lance, R. W. Barnwell and William Murphy.

They further report, that the vacancy in the Committee occasioned by the resignation of the Rev. J. S. Hanckel was filled by the election of the Rev. W. W. Spear, and that occasioned by the resignation of Edward R. Laurens, Esq., by the election of Edward McCrady, Esq.

CH. HANCKEL, *President*.

On motion of the Secretary, the Rules of Order were suspended to allow the Treasurer of the Bishop's Common and Permanent Funds to report. The Report was as follows, viz :—

Dr. *Bishop's Permanent Fund, in account with JOHN HANCKEL, Treasurer.* CR.

1851	To Balance to debit in		1851	By Interest and Dividends,	\$ 1,532 47
	1850, - - -	\$ 353 72		" Balance to debit, -	47 22
	" Incidental Expenses,	76 62			
	" Bishop's Common Fund				
	for 3-4ths Interest and				
	Dividends received,	1,149 35			
		<u>\$1579 69</u>			<u>\$ 1,579 69</u>

Dr. *Bishop's Common Fund, in account with JOHN HANCKEL, Treasurer.* CR.

1851			1851		
Dec. 31	To paid the Bishop of the		Jan. 1	By balance from last	
	Diocese, four quarter's			year, - - -	\$1,039 20
	salary, - - -	1,500 00	Feb 13	" Cash rec. from the	
	" Incidental Expenses, -	41 75		following Churches: viz	
	" Balance in Treasurer's			Christ Church, Green-	
	hands, - - -	1,531 80		ville, 1850-51, -	10 00
				Prince William's Parish	10 00
				St. Luke's Parish, -	15 00
				St. Helena, St. Helena	
				Island, - - -	10 00
				St. Helena, Beaufort, -	35 00
				St. David's, Cheraw, -	10 00
				St. Michael's, for 1850,	300 00
				Edisto Island, - - -	50 00
				St. John's Berkley, -	50 00
				Prince George, Win-	
				yaw, - - -	50 00
				St. Mathews Parish, -	10 00
				Christ Church, - - -	5 00
				St. Bartholomew's, -	25 00
				Church of the Holy	
				Trinity, Grahamville,	15 00
				Pineville & Upper St.	
				Johns, - - -	10 00
				James Island, - - -	5 00
				Grace Church, Camden,	10 00
				St. John's, Colleton, -	50 00
				St. Andrews, - - -	10 00
				St. Peter's, Charleston,	100 00
				Christ Church, Wilton,	15 00
				Claremont, - - -	20 00
				St. Thomas & St. Den-	
				nis, - - -	20 00
				Total from Churches,	\$835 00
				By Bishop's Permanent	
				Fund for transfer of	
				3-4ths of annual in-	
				come received, -	1,149 35
		<u>\$3,073 55</u>			<u>\$3,073 55</u>

Dr. *Bishop's Convention Fund, for increase of Bishop's Permanent Fund, 1851-52.* Cr.

1852			1851		
	To Investments, -	\$1,500 00		By balance from last year,	\$ 1,369 60
	" Incidental Expenses,	32 51		" Interest and Dividends,	650 30
	" Balance in hands,	437 39			
		<u>\$2,019 90</u>			<u>\$ 2,019 90</u>

JOHN HANCKEL, *Treasurer.*

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Young,

Resolved, That the whole subject of the assessment of the Churches for the Bishop's Common Fund be referred to the Finance Committee, with instructions to report thereon, either at this or the next Convention, as may seem to them expedient.

After prayers by the President, the Convention adjourned to half-past ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary.*

Thursday, February 12th, 1852.

The Convention met according to adjournment. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. J. D. McCollough. After Divine Service, the Convention was called to order by the President. The Roll being called, a quorum was found present.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and amended.

The Roll of Members absent yesterday was called. The Rev. Messrs. J. H. Elliott, Wm. H. Hanckel, C. E. Leverett, and J. R. Walker appeared and took their seats.

The Committee on the Lay Delegates reported the following additional names as duly elected, viz:—

St. Thomas and St. Dennis, John L. Nowell,*

St. Philip's Parish, Charleston, Daniel Huger, Edward McCrady, J. J. P. Smith, H. D. Lesesne.*

Prince William's Parish, James Cuthbert, Thomas M. Hanckel, J. H. Seabrook, George Mackay.

The United Churches of St. John's and St. Stephen's, Henry W. Ravenel, Maham Palmer and Charles Sinkler.*

Zion Church, Richland, Thos. B. Clarkson.

St. Peter's, Charleston, Gen. Wm. E. Martin, E. L. Kerrison,* Wm. Henry Heyward, Dr. Edward North.

St. Helena, Beaufort, Dr. B. B. Sams, John J. Chaplin, Edward Butler, Dr. Thomas Fuller.

Grace Church, Camden, Joseph B. Kershaw, Z. J. De Hay, Thornton Carpenter,* Julius W. Stuart.

*Present.

The Bishop's Address was then read by the President.

Brethren, the Presbyters, Deacons, and Laymen of the Convention :

THIS third Session of our Body in Trinity Church, at Columbia, naturally reminds us of the advancement of our Diocese.

At the session, February 1816,—8 Parishes were represented, 6 of the Clergy, and 15 of the Laity being present. The whole number of the Clergy was 18, and of the Congregations, 26. At the session, May 1837,—21 Parishes were represented; 23 of the Clergy, and 6 of the Laity being present. The number of the Clergy then was 48, and of the Congregations, 36.

At the present session, 21 Parishes are represented; 34 of the Clergy, and 43 of the Laity being present. The Clergy now number 65, and there are 56 Congregations.

The population of the State in 1816 was about 449,525, and in 1852, about 683,283. The ratio of increase, therefore, was less than 50 per cent. Whereas, the ratio of the increase of our Clergy (being from 18 to 65,) was nearly 300 per cent., and of the Congregations (from 26 to 56)—more than 100 per cent.

The increase of the Clergy and the Communicants in all the Dioceses of our Confederacy in twenty years, (from 1832 to 1852,) was about 200 per cent. But as we are thankful for this result, we ought to be humbled, in the recollection that it is not more satisfactory. It makes one sad to notice in the map how few and far between are our Churches. Twelve districts are still without a single Minister of our Communion; ten have only one; three have only two; four only have more than two, viz:—Georgetown district, 4; Colleton, 5; Beaufort, 9; Charleston, 22. We have only 15 Missionaries. In Charleston district are 17 Congregations, (one, St. James', James Island, without a Minister)—and as the population is 73,807, and the number of our Clergy in that district only 22, it is evident that even in this best supplied district, there is a great deficiency, for in such a population there should be at least 73 Clergymen, rating one for each thousand.

It should be our endeavour promptly to place in each district, at the Court House village, or other central position, at least one Minister; and our zeal and liberality will not have met the just claims of our duty to the Diocese, and of our great privileges as members of it, until the Word of God, and the Sacraments of His Church, and the godly counsel and advice* of His holy Ministry are placed within the reach (not farther distant than "a Sabbath day's journey"†) of every individual within our borders, who desires or may desire them. If each member of our Church would contribute in proportion to his means, this purpose would be soon effected, and when next our Convention was held in this holy place, we might report there was substantial advancement—progress indeed.

From these general statements, we pass to those particularly enjoined in the VIIIth Canon of 1841.

* First Exhortation in the order for the Holy Communion.

† About 7-8ths of a mile.

Canonical visits (23 in number) were made to St. Paul's, Stono; St. Andrew's; All Saints, (W.) 2 days; Prince Frederick's; Prince George's; Church of the Messiah, 2 days; St. James', Santee; Prince William's; St. Thomas, 2 days; Christ Church, (Wilton); Grace, Charleston; Holy Apostles, (Barnwell,) 2 days; Calvary, Charleston; Calvary, Glenn Springs; Spartanburg, 2 days; Christ Church, Greenville, 2 days; St. Paul's, (Pendleton,) 2 days; Anderson; Trinity, (Abbeville,) 2 days; Church of Epiphany, Laurens; St. Thaddæus, Aiken; Trinity, Edgefield; St. Michael's, 3 days.

Informal visits (21 in number,) were made to Summerville, on four occasions; Upper St. John's and St. Stephens, three days; Aiken, on two occasions; St. Paul's, Charleston, on two occasions; St. Stephen's, Charleston; Calvary, Charleston; Clinton; Christ Church, on four occasions; Grace, Sullivan's Island; St. John's, Charleston; Newberry; Winnsborough, 3 days†; St. Michael's. Some of the parishes not visited in 1851, may expect a visit in 1852, and they are requested to regard this as a Canonical notification.

The number of the "confirmed" (on 35 occasions,) 8 of them in private was, viz: of St. Philip's, 9; All Saints, 9; Prince Frederick's, 1; Prince George's, Winyaw, 8; North Santee, 99; Prince William's, 55; of Key West, at St. Philip's, 2; Barnwell, two of them at St. Philip's, 5; Upper St. John's and St. Stephen's, 113; Wilton, 9; Grace Church, Charleston, 24; St. John's, Hampstead, 3; Calvary, 8; Spartanburg, 14; Greenville, 11; Pendleton, 6; Abbeville, 5; St. John's, Winnsborough, 20; St. Thaddæus, Aiken, 4; Edgefield, 3; St. Michael's, 7; St. Paul's, 10; St. Peter's, 1; St. Stephen's, Charleston, 7.—Total, 433.

As "Candidates for Holy Orders" have been received, Robert Woodward Barnwell, Jr. A. B.; Anthony Toomer Porter, Lucien Chs. Lance, A. B.; and William Murphy; and previously reported, A. Moore, who officiates as a Lay-reader, at Barnwell village; P. G. Jenkins, E. E. Bellinger, and R. H. Mason, A. M., in all 8—of these, two are at the General Theological Seminary. The ordained were, as Deacon, J. Grimké Drayton; as Priests, J. H. Elliott, (at my request by the Bishop of Georgia,) and J. Grimké Drayton; and, as Bishop for the Diocese of Florida, the Rev. Frances Huger Rutledge, having been assisted on the solemn occasion by the Bishops of Georgia and Alabama.

Laurence Clement Johnson, Deacon, was deposed from the Ministry on the 1st May, in conformity to the provisions of Canon V. of 1850.

The changes among the Clergy are as follows:—The Rev. E. Reed has resigned the Rectorship of Trinity, Edgefield, and is officiating in North-Carolina, at Flat Rock.

Rev. R. Graham is the Rector of Trinity, Edgefield.

Rev. J. G. Drayton is the Rector of St. Andrew's Parish.

Rev. S. Mellichamp is now the Assistant Minister of St. Helena's, Beaufort.

† Particulars respecting the visitations were from time to time published in the Gospel Messenger.

Rev. J. S. Hanckel has been transferred to the Diocese of Georgia.

Rev. R. Seely is now teacher of the school under the control of the Vestry of St. Thomas, and officiates as assistant to the Rector.

Rev. A. H. Cornish is the Rector of St. Paul's, Pendleton.

Rev. H. Elwell is the Rector of St. Philip's School, Charleston, for advanced boys, and officiates under the direction of the Bishop as a Missionary.

The late Rector of St. Philip's Church, Bradford Springs, our highly esteemed brother, the Rev. C. P. Elliott, has departed this life. Besides the Church which has been named, he faithfully and gratuitously, not without toil and solicitude, served at two or more Missionary stations, one of them more especially for the blacks. It was on his way, on the Lord's Day, to the "House of Prayer" that he was overtaken by a tornado, which, by the fall of a tree, instantly caused his translation, as we humbly trust, to the Church in Paradise, the blessed region which enjoys a continual Sabbath. The lesson inculcated by this providence is too obvious to need repetition. May each one of us so profit by it, that whenever our Lord shall call with or without warning in the morning or noon, or setting of life, it shall appear that we have the faith, without which it is impossible to please God, and the repentance which is unto life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Six examinations have been held, three for the Diaconate, and three for the Priesthood.

On fifteen occasions, I officiated specially for the class of servants, (white persons being also present,) viz:—In St. Paul's Parish, Stono, at the plantation of Mr. James Perry. St. Andrew's, at Mr. N. R. Middleton's. All Saints, Waccamaw, at Mr. P. Weston's, and at Mr. P. Alston's. North Santee, at Mr. S. Lucas, Mr. S. Deas, and Mrs. E. Horry's, and Prince William's, at the Chapel.

Of Schools, under Church influence, in this Diocese, it affords me great pleasure to report there are nine. But the number should be much greater, for many parishes which singly or unitedly could have them, are still without this great advantage.

The four Societies auxiliary to the Diocese, viz:—The "Relief," the "Advancement," the "Charleston Missionary," and the "Tract," have had a portion of my time, and they are regarded as successfully pursuing their laudable ends.

The collection on Thanksgiving day, for the disabled Clergy, has been made in very few of the Congregations, although there is a standing resolution of your Body recommending it.

For Missions in our own State, was received from

Camden,	\$ 62 00	All Saints,	10 00
St. Helena Island,	37 00	Pendleton,	10 00
St. Michael's,	83 00	Prince Frederick's,	20 00
Georgetown,	25 00	Society Hill,	25 00
St. Philip's,	291 00	St. Paul's, Charleston,	34 00
Pineville,	105 00	Aiken,	11 00
Columbia,	65 00	Edisto,	40 00
Chesterfield,	200 00	Charleston Lecture,	34 00
James Island,	3 00	Anonymous,*	\$15 00

* Since this account was closed, received from Georgetown, \$8—Society Hill, \$31.

The amount not designated was \$410, and there was paid for		
Rail Road Ticket,	\$50 00	Clinton, Ridgeville, and } 42 00
Laurens Mission,	100 00	Barnwell, }
St. John's & St. Stephen's } Chapels, Charleston,	105 00	Chester, 75 00
Abbeville and Anderson,	60 00	
Newberry,	23 50	Excess, 45 50
		\$ 455 50

Of the fifty-six congregations in the Diocese, sixteen have contributed to Missions in the same, through my agency, and a few others by the agency of the "Advancement Society." This excellent institution placed at my disposal \$350; the greater part of which has been paid to the Missionary at Abbeville, and the Missionary at six places, (Graniteville, Vacluse, the Potteries, the Runs, the Turnout, and Joyce's Branch,) in Edgefield and Barnwell districts.

The monthly paper of the Diocese, the Gospel Messenger, is the auxiliary of our missions, not only as the profits are pledged to that object, but as it always contains Missionary intelligence, adapted to enlighten and encourage the pious and benevolent. But the number of subscribers do not warrant the opinion that the missionary spirit is active among us. And the same remark is naturally suggested when the monthly collections for missions, and the attendants at the monthly Missionary Lecture are counted.

On the 7th March, a reply was made to the letter and protest sent me by the Bishop of Oxford, all which documents were published in our monthly periodical.

April 14. A letter was received from the Archbishop of Canterbury respecting "the Jubilee." The chief portion of his letter, and the papers accompanying it, and my reply, as also a statement of the manner in which the Jubilee was observed in this Diocese, were published in our "Gospel Messenger."

April 15. On the interesting occasion of opening our "Church Home," Morning Prayer was said at St. Stephen's Chapel, and an address by Rev. Mr. Miles. The Absolution and Benediction were pronounced by me, and I prepared special devotions used on entering the building, in which an address was delivered by the Chaplain, (Rev. C. Wallace.) Our "Church Home," it affords me great pleasure to report, is doing good in full proportion to its means. The building is not yet paid for, and for the support of the inmates, the aged and orphan female it looks, and it will not, I trust, look in vain, to the charity of their fellow-members of "the household of faith." It is again commended to your "alms and prayers."

May 13. A form of Thanksgiving and Intercession, to be used on Jubilee day—(22d June or 30th November) was prepared and transmitted to the Clergy, and they were recommended to have a sermon and collection in aid of Missions in the Diocese. The amount now in the Charleston Bank is \$312 86.

May 16. A letter without name or date was received, as follows:—
"By the blessing of God I am again enabled to enclose you two hundred dollars, which you will please to appropriate as heretofore, or as

you shall deem most needed in your Diocese, and oblige your's very respectfully.") No doubt this is the same generous person who on two former occasions, (June 1849 and May 1850) sent me the same sum. Availing myself of the discretion so kindly granted, it has been set apart for the education of pious youths contemplating the ministry of the Church.

July. Prepared the following report, now submitted for the consideration of this Convention:—

"One of the Committee appointed, (at the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the *P. E. General Theological Seminary*, in September 1850,) on the resolution, respecting the Legacy of the late F. Kohne, Esq., respectfully reports:—

"The Constitution of the Seminary, Article III., has this clause:—
'Every Diocese shall be entitled to one additional Trustee for every
'two thousand dollars of moneys in any way given, or contributed, in
'the same to the funds of the Seminary, &c.'

"The late Mr. Kohne, it is understood, (and the legal proof can be adduced, if deemed necessary,) passed, by far the greater part of his life, and acquired his property by industrious pursuits in South-Carolina. In that diocese, he was an attendant on the worship of our branch of the Church, and *there* was made acquainted with the necessities of our "General Theological Seminary," and it is believed, directly or indirectly invited to contribute to it by his Pastor, the late Bp. Dehon. In advanced life, Mr. Kohne procured a residence in Pennsylvania, but he *retained* his *residence* in South-Carolina, and his pew in St. Michael's Church, Charleston; and in those Dioceses passed the year, the summer in the former, and the winter in the latter, continuing, while in South-Carolina, to attend the services of St. Michael's Church, Charleston, and it is understood was recognized by the Rector as one of his charge.

"The question then is: Must we understand that Mr. Kohne's legacy was "contributed in the same" South-Carolina, or in Pennsylvania?

"If the contribution is understood to have come from a member of the Diocese of South-Carolina, then the advantage will accrue to that Diocese. But if Mr. K. was exclusively a member of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, then that Diocese is entitled to the additional number of Trustees. The Chairman of the Committee has come to the conclusion, that this munificent benefactor of the Church cannot be considered as *exclusively* a member of either of the Dioceses named. And he is confirmed in this opinion, by the fact, that there are several persons, who, having two homes in the North and South, or the West and South, (among others, the much respected widow of Mr. Kohne,) are regarded by their Pastors, and by themselves, as attached to the two Dioceses, in each of which they reside, passing part of the year in the one or the other. The following resolutions, therefore, are proposed

1. That the legacy of the late Mr. Kohne entitles the Dioceses of South-Carolina and of Pennsylvania, to an additional number of Trustees in *equal* proportions.

2. That the amount of the legacy being (\$100,000) each Diocese is entitled to seven additional Trustees.

In this report, two of the three members forming the Committee, did not concur. All which is respectfully submitted by

C. E. GADSDEN, *one of the Committee and Chairman.*

Canon II. of the Diocese of South-Carolina has this clause:—"Every Minister having "a parochial charge in this Diocese"—discriminating (in his report) "in each instance, "the number of families belonging likewise to *other congregations.*" It is obvious to remark, if a person can belong to two Congregations, he may to two Dioceses.

Statement.—August 1851.—"Mr. Kohne married my cousin about 1807 or '8. Since that time I have been well acquainted with all his movements. His business was carried on in Charleston—his property was made in Charleston, but has been much increased since he retired from business. With the exception of 1812, Mr. K. spent all his winters South. In May 1829, he died. From '26 to '29, he was quite too sick to think of returning to Charleston. I do positively say he considered himself as much a Charlestonian in winter as a Philadelphian in summer. He did bring his establishment here. His pew here he gave to St. Michael's—in Philadelphia, to St. James'. His legacies were confined to Charleston and Philadelphia, except the Theological Seminary. All I have mentioned proves conclusively Mr. Kohne considered himself belonging as much South as North, and but for his illness would never have wintered North. His last will was made, I think, in or about 1828. I was in his house just as he expired."

To the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in 1851, this report was transmitted, and they resolved that the case was not for their decision, but for *that* of the General Convention. It will be for your Body to take order on the subject, or not, as you deem best.

In my addresses to the Convention, 1850 and 1851, reference was made by way of respectful remonstrance to a law of the College of South-Carolina. The liberal policy of the University of Virginia is that which it is believed would be generally approved. I extract from a published document of that institution. "Divine Service is performed in the chapel every Sunday morning and evening, during the session, by the Chaplain of the University. Students have also the opportunity of attending, *at their choice*, Sunday services at any of the Churches in Charlottesville."

The request made in my addresses of the two last years, is now repeated as to members of our Church who reside remotely from any of our Congregations, furnishing me with their names. The reasons of the request have been twice published.

"The History of the Church," suspended by the greatly lamented death of the author, the late Rev. Dr. Jarvis, will, it is hoped, be continued. But, if it should not be, the two volumes are valuable, and I take occasion to remark, several copies purchased for this Diocese, remain on hand.*

As usual, these items are reported. My travelling by land and water numbered 2,992 miles. Letters received were 365. The official expenditures amounted to \$970 52½. The particulars are in documents on the table.

It may not be generally known that the venerable work, "The New Whole Duty of Man" has been recently re-published in our country, and also one less ancient, but of great excellency, "The Christian's

* For sale at A. E. Miller's, No. 5 Broad-street.

Manual of Faith and Devotion, containing Dialogues and Prayers.”*

These books should be in every family and Parish Library, and may be studied with profit again and again.

The Constitution of the State of South-Carolina, Article I., Sec. 23, is in these words:—“ And, whereas, the Ministers of the Gospel are, by their profession, dedicated to the service of God, and the care of souls, and ought not to be diverted from the great duty of their functions:— Therefore, no Minister of the Gospel, or public Preacher, of any religious persuasion, whilst he continues in the exercise of his pastoral functions, shall be eligible to the office of Governor, Lieut. Governor, or a seat in the Senate or House of Representatives.”

The practical lesson here given, seems to me that the government under which we live, desires the Clergy to leave the study of politics; the teaching of politics; and the acting as leaders in political matters exclusively to the Laity. On the Executive and Legislative, (and no Clergyman is allowed to be in either department,) rests the responsibility of the civil government. The Clergyman’s responsibility begins and ends with his vote. Why should he wish to increase it?

As this address concerns the Congregations in general, it is requested that it, or a part of it may be read on some occasion of public worship.

“ Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace, and the God of love and peace shall be with you.” Amen.

The election of the Standing Committee was then ordered, and the Rev. Messrs. McElheran and Marshall appointed tellers for the votes of the Clergy, and Mr. Fleming and Capt. Payne for those of the Laity:

Tellers were also appointed on the election of Deputies to the General Convention, viz : The Rev. Messrs. Glennie and Dehon for the votes of the Clergy, and Messrs. Hurd and Nowell, for those of the Laity.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Young,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop’s Address as relates to the Kohne legacy be referred to a Committee of three to report to the next Convention. The Committee appointed were the Rev. Mr. Young, and Messrs. Lesesne and Petigru.

The Rev. Mr. Hall moved the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Report of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Gadsden to the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, with the Resolutions appended, claiming for South-Carolina the privileges therein specified, expresses the opinion of this Convention; and that the Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention be requested to urge the said Report and Resolutions accordingly.

This Resolution was referred to the above Committee.

* In former addresses were recommended,—“ Help to Catechising ”—“ Hobart’s Fasts and Festivals,” “ New Week’s Preparation,” and “ Bishop Ken on the Catechism.”

The Trustees of the Fund for "Aged and Infirm Clergymen," report as follows:—

Fund for relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, in account with
JAS. R. PRINGLE, *Treasurer of the Trustees of the Fund.*

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1851			
March 5.	To paid the Rev. F. P. Delavaux,.....		\$115 85
Dec. 22.	" " " "		25
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Feb'y. 2.	" " " "		33
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,.....		39
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1851			
Feb'y. 13	By Balance brought forward as by statement rendered last meeting of the Convention,.....		\$111 58
" 27	By donation from Mrs. M. Carroll of Edgefield, received from Rev. J. S. Hanckel,.....		5
Nov. 25	By collection from St. Philip's Church, Charleston, received from Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden,.....		25
" "	By collection at Calvary Church, Charleston, received from Rev. Paul Trapier,.....		6 70
" "	By collection at St. Michael's Church, Charleston,.....		17 96
" "	By do at All Saint's, Waccamaw, received from the Rev. A. Glennie,.....		8
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	By balance carried forward,.....	39-100	

JAMES R. PRINGLE, *Treasurer of the Trustees of the Fund.*
Charleston, 7th February, 1852.

The tellers on the election of the Standing Committee reported that the following gentlemen had received a majority of all the votes cast in each order, and were duly elected, viz :—

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.	Dr. I. M. Campbell,
" P. T. Gervais,	James H. Ladson,
" P. Trapier,	H. D. Lesesne,
" P. T. Keith,	C. G. Memminger,
" W. W. Spear,	Edward McCrady.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Young,

Resolved, That five dollars (\$5) per day be paid to the Organist, and three dollars (\$3) per day to the Sexton of Trinity Church for their services during the Convention.

The Committee appointed last year on a Memorial from Christ Church, Greenville, reported as follows :—

The Committee to which was referred "The Memorial of the Vestrymen and Church Wardens of Christ Church, Greenville," beg leave respectfully to report: That they have endeavoured to consider the very grave subjects contained in the Memorial, with the care and attention which their nature and importance seemed to require; and being well aware that in all such undertakings, two principal points, the *object*

proposed and the *means* for its accomplishment, should be duly weighed, invite the attention of the Convention to *three* topics of material import in making up a correct opinion on the subject, viz : The character and importance of the missionary field, in behalf of which the Memorialists have petitioned; the amount and kind of human instrumentalities, necessary to accomplish any permanent results therein; and the probabilities of success with God's blessing on the occupation of it.

From the comparatively recent settlement of the section in question, it could not be reasonably expected to have made very great progress in moral and religious culture, nor, indeed, to have accumulated any considerable amount of wealth. But these anticipations are all singularly falsified, by a careful statistical comparison of it with the sea-board districts and parishes. We find its progress in all those respects to have been wonderfully rapid and its present advanced stage of prosperity, far exceeding our most sanguine expectations. Scarcely seventy-five years have elapsed since the Indian held undisturbed possession of a large portion of it, and yet its present population exceeds 400,000 civilized inhabitants. In that brief interval it has overtaken and surpassed the lower and much older section, both in wealth and population. By a reference to the civil arrangement of the districts into the upper and lower divisions, it is found that the upper division embraces an area of 19,000 square miles in extent, being *two-thirds* of the whole territory of the State, the greater portion of which is arable land. This division contains 226,899 slaves, which is 89,313 more than the lower division, and pays \$6,086 more of the State Taxes.* Its white population is also greater by 151,912 making in the aggregate 241,225 more than the population of the lower division. Thus it will be perceived that whilst it embraces *two-thirds* of the territorial limits of the State, it possesses 23,000 more than *two-thirds* of the whole population. Your Committee have been pained to learn at the same time, that notwithstanding this superiority of wealth and numbers, yet it contains, but one-fourth of the Clergy of the Diocese. They would respectfully represent furthermore, that from its healthy climate, productive soil and manufacturing and mineral resources, it is increasing in population and wealth much more rapidly than the lower division. For, the same statistical sources show, that in the last ten years the population of the former has increased 78,030, whilst that of the latter has only advanced 21,749. And that whilst, since 1824 the Taxes of the lower division have decreased \$16,000, those of the upper have increased \$46,000.

It thus presents at once the most important, and religiously, the most destitute section of the State. Your Committee would especially urge that, the section in question, is just now on the eve of a speedy and extensive development of its vast resources. Its Rail Roads will furnish, what it has hitherto wanted, encouraging incentives to improve its agriculture and unfold its mineral wealth; and the High Schools and Colleges, just being founded, will cultivate and develop its mental energies, which are inferior to no people's in the world.

*See Report of the Treasurer of the Upper and Lower Divisions.

In connection with these facts, they would also set forth that it is very inadequately supplied with religious teachers of any description. In a population of 450,000 souls, occupying an area of 19,000 square miles, distributed in densely peopled neighbourhoods, and fifty towns and villages, rapidly rising in importance, there are only 250 regularly ministering Preachers, very many of whom are of an inferior grade; and allowing that their situation will permit pastoral duties; which is by no means true, there would remain 200,000 souls still uncared for by any one. But the actual spiritual destitution of the country is much greater than this favourable supposition represents it to be.

For in fact, a very small proportion of those teachers can perform any pastoral duties whatever; and the mournful consequence is felt in the total neglect of children, who are excluded from the participation of the Christian covenant, and are growing up in vast numbers, in debasing ignorance and crime.

At a former period, the system of revivals supplied, to some good degree, this want of ministerial care, but that system has now well nigh lost whatever efficacy it may once have had, and hence this already fearful destitution, is annually on the increase. This sad condition of things clearly designates, the section in question, as the true missionary ground of the State, which appeals without abatement to the sympathy and conscience of this Convention for its intervention.

The solemn question, why the Church has made so little progress in the lapse of forty years, has caused your Committee much anxious thought and deliberation. Possessed as she is of a zealous and godly ministry, a pure and holy faith, a divine and Apostolic origin and form and ample means to execute her plans, her history, for that period, seems to us a tissue of positive contradictions. We have been led therefore, to review with careful scrutiny the record of her annual proceedings. And this investigation has resulted in the thorough conviction that her missionary operations are entirely defective. They have been wanting in vigorous concentration, in activity and in adequate extension. They have been maintained, as it seems to us, rather with the view of supplying with the Church services, our own scattered flocks, than the gathering of the lost sheep into the One Fold; hence they have been too occasional, too much confined to particular localities. This is the chief cause of the defects alluded to above. The object aimed at, is unquestionably important and may have been, to a considerable extent compassed, but it has at the same time cramped our energies and limited our view, by being adhered to too long. It is doubtless the correct missionary principle in the first instance; and whilst a Church is in its infancy and contracted in its means, may be pursued, but it should not become the settled policy of a Church. There is a point at which the Church in her missionary capacity, should assume a position of greater activity, and go out into the highways and hedges, "and gather together all, as many as may be found, both bad and good," and bid them to the marriage supper of the King. The system hitherto practised seems to have wanted the spirit of active zeal; and hence the Church has not been extended, perhaps, as it might have been. And the present, seems to us a propitious time, to abandon this narrow prin-

ciple and to enlarge the scope of our view. Your Committee would, therefore, strongly recommend immediate action to be taken in behalf of this field. And in furtherance of this important object, they beg your attention to the second topic named above, the means at your disposal to be employed in evangelizing this great people. It will be remembered that as living is cheap and the habits of the people are economical in the section in question, no very great expense need be incurred by the Convention in supporting an efficient missionary system. Single Clergymen may live with a salary of \$250,00, a horse being furnished them. Eight such, distributed for the present, as follows, viz: one East of the great Pee Dee, one between that and Lynch's Creek, a third between that and the Catawba, and a fourth between the Catawba and Broad Rivers, a fifth between the last and Ennoree, a sixth between that and Saluda, a seventh between the head-waters of Saluda and Savannah Rivers, and the eight in Edgefield, Lexington and Barnwell, at an aggregate cost of \$200,000 annually, would be able to itinerate through the whole section and keep up a continued chain of tri-weekly services. The services which they might thus afford a village or neighbourhood monthly, together with a regular distribution of books and tracts, would be quite sufficient to produce large results, as fully evinced by the experience of the Methodists. This number might be increased in a few years to 24, that is one itinerant for each district, at an annual cost of \$4800,00. In this way prosperous congregations may be gathered in a few years, and soon each district mission would adequately support itself. And indeed, under such treatment many neighbourhoods would early begin to sustain their own parish priest in connection with a school.

Your Committee feel confident that your honorable body will not refuse the lessons of experience furnished by other bodies of Christians. They would therefore, instance again the Methodists' success, in common with all other denominations, in the practice of this system. The Methodists came into South-Carolina first as a *distinct organization* in 1785, just 66 years ago, and 83 years after the Church. They immediately set on foot this cheap and vigorous system. They boldly sent their itinerants among a people who were strangers to their faith, and in a few years they were amply supported by those very people themselves, and now they have nine times as many communicant members as the Church numbers. How infinitely more reasonably are our expectations of success! Our means are ample, our missionaries much better educated, our teachings more adopted to the wants of the people, and the masses themselves greatly improved in intelligence and wealth. We only want the *will* to mak a bold and vigorous beginning, to succeed in this glorious work. Your Committee would further urge in favour of the adoption of this system, the signal failure of all others, hitherto tried by the Church. Look for example at the meagre results of the present one, of sending forth single, unaided ministers to distant and isolated points, to be confined necessarily, to the narrow limits of a small congregation. What, allow us to ask, has been accomplished by this method, and at what expense of time and money? Only seventeen

parishes have been organized since 1812, just now forty years and but six of those have become self-supporting. Is this satisfactory progress? Is this Convention content to set on a firm, self-supporting basis, only one parish in every seven years? We cannot believe it. For even this progress, indeed, we would offer our heartfelt gratitude to Almighty God, and congratulate the patrons of that noble charity through the instrumentality of which He has accomplished it. But yet we cannot believe that the money and labour has been judiciously expended or that greater returns might not have been received. Let us inquire a moment, at what expense of money and men this tardy progress has been made. The large sum of _____ has been expended in the last forty years in the section in question. Now we submit, the results are totally inadequate to this expenditure of money, not to mention the valuable time and talents and zeal of so many Clergymen.— These inadequate results cannot be justly attributed to the genius of the Church, to the inefficiency of the missionaries, or to the absence of God's blessing upon the work. To assert this would not only be arrogant and presumptuous, but it would in fact be to beg the whole question we have here put in issue. And we flatter ourselves that we have now produced many good grounds for the belief that the only cheap and practicable system, which can at the same time give extension to our operations and insure such constant connection between the permanent missions, as to afford mutual aid and influence and strength to the whole, thus producing a vigorous concentration of effort, is that of the itinerancy. We wish it to be observed that we are the advocates of no new Church polity or ill-advised experiments, we are only urging the application of measures as old as the Church itself and as widely practised now by the Church as her missions are extensive. We are only advocating the system of adaptation in the missionary measures of the Church. There is a flexible element in the Church infused into it by its Divine founder, as well as a permanent one. By the latter the one faith is preserved and held by all people and in every age; by the former it may be made to meet the wants and exigencies of all times and conditions of men. This flexible element is indeed the missionary element of the Church and must be brought into requisition to suit the peculiar exigencies of times and circumstances. Is the Church here at home less a missionary Church than it is in Africa and China and the British colonies, or than the Primitive Church itself? And if this cannot be asserted, is it safe or right for the Church at home to dispense with any of the weapons which have been found effective elsewhere, or in other times? Is it not manifestly our duty to make the most of this flexible character of the Church, whenever an emergency requires it?

We have not been thrust headlong into this topic by a sudden gleam of conviction derived from any accidental source. It was for many years with us, as it doubtless still is with some others, a dangerous and wild project. But after long and deep consideration and earnest endeavours to see our way through the difficulties, which retard the progress of the Church, we do not hesitate to record our desire that this vigorous missionary machinery be adopted for the back country, and our solemn convic-

tion that, if used vigorously and wisely, the most blessed results might be expected with confidence. Besides the enmity of the natural heart to the light of truth, there are two obstacles which stand in the way of those who see not the Church, which Christ himself planted in the earth, as the tree of life whose leaves are for the healing of the nation. These obstacles are prejudice and a want of correct information. Prejudice while it remains, precludes the possibility of receiving truth. It is only the candid inquiring mind, that the spirit of truth will illuminate. How then may this prejudice be most speedily removed? It can be done effectually, alone, by the personal association of the missionary at the fireside. And this extensive association can only be effected, we submit, by an itinerant missionary, whose business it will be to visit every house in his district. Again, it is only by a correct knowledge of the doctrines and ordinances of the Church of Christ, that those far from its hallowing influences can be expected to participate in the blessings of true conviction. Nor can this be accomplished in any other way, so speedily as by close and pointed conversation, directed to create a desire and thirst for this heavenly knowledge. A missionary imbued with the true spirit of the Gospel, who unreservedly proclaims the distinctive principles of the Church, must and will be successful in removing these prejudices and imparting this correct knowledge. To the aid and support of this active missionary scheme, an educational one must be brought to give permanence and force to its results, as well as to supply additional labourers for its enlargement.

Two high schools, one for each of the sexes, situated in healthy and central locations, would be sufficient for the present. Twenty thousand dollars, expended in erecting suitable buildings, would amply suffice to begin with. These two systems, as fully proved by the experience of other denominations, cannot fail to be efficient and successful, if they work in concert. Whilst the former will attract and fix the attention of the masses, and awaken and feed the spirit of inquiry, the latter will inculcate knowledge and truth, and thus establish and confirm good principles. This view of the subject is rendered still more important in our estimation, from the conviction we are under, of the imperious necessity there is of educating a native upper-country Ministry. Besides the influence such a Ministry must always wield through the ties of consanguinity and friendship, it is a fact not to be disputed that they will possess important advantages over others, from their natural and intimate acquaintance with the manners and peculiarities of the people. But we submit, that there is no other way of securing such a Ministry, except through the instrumentality of schools. And it is a well ascertained fact, that no other means are sufficient and speedy in their effects. And your Committee feel confident that they will not be disappointed in the belief which they entertain that the Laity will liberally support any action which may be taken on this subject by the Convention. But it is fully as evident to us that no beginning will be made by them until some steps are taken to devise and recommend a judicious plan for action. It is therefore recommended on this point, that a Committee of

be appointed to mature and present a plan at the present sitting

of Convention, and otherwise to carry into effect these suggestions by selecting suitable persons to travel through the parishes and solicit subscriptions for such schools. This method is successfully practised by all the denominations in the State, and they are able to show as the result of it flourishing and well endowed Institutions. And who is prepared to say that our people are less able and less willing to do as much for the cause of God?

In conclusion, your Committee would earnestly urge, that this extensive field is not occupied by the Church, as her interests and welfare demand, as her resources will justify and as the prospects of success, with God's gracious blessing, call upon her to attempt. In no one of the districts in question, are her interests completely represented and her claims upon the community fairly and adequately presented. In these twenty four extensive and populous districts, there are now but fifteen officiating Clergymen, whereas, there should be at least ten times as many. In a population of 450,000 souls, not more than 15,000 can possibly be regarded as within the sound or influence of the Church. And indeed, on a large estimate of our congregations, the number who attend the solemnizing of her services cannot exceed 4,000, that is, not one in every four hundred persons.—What success then can this Convention rationally expect from such a wide disparity between the means employed and so boundless a field of labour? From so small an outlay can the Church expect any considerable returns? In such a community as ours is especially, much of the success of an enterprise depends upon the clamour of public opinion, and that is most frequently determined in the course which it takes, by first impressions as to the probabilities in favour of its success. Even yet the Church is lost to notice and the exercise of her proper influence in so large a population; and hence popular clamour represents her as insignificant and wholly useless. There are not labourers enough employed to strengthen each others hands. And consequently she has not yet caused her power and influence to be felt, nay, so far from it, she is scarcely known to thousands. We venture confidently the assertion, that nothing more than her name is known to *two-thirds* of this immense population. It will be seen at once then, that under such circumstances very little can be done. And yet, it is only necessary to refer to her history among all classes of society, to be convinced that her system needs but to be vigorously prosecuted and her characteristics and claims fairly and fully advocated to meet with ready and extensive success. It behoves the Church therefore to enlarge the scope of her efforts, to send out a competent number of Ministers to occupy adequately, at least approximately, this vast field. With these facts before us, though so briefly adverted to, we cannot believe that the Convention will continue to manifest the same supineness on this subject, which they hitherto have done. Almost without men or means the Methodists succeeded the Church in the State and already they have visited every nook and corner of it, and number nine fold as many communicants.—Shall we endure this thought any longer?

Are we content to do less? Can we, who have the means and competent and suitable men, longer stand still and neglect to use them to the

advancement of pure and undistorted Christianity? Will the Church at large tolerate with indifference this inactivity and inglorious supineness? Will she not demand of us objects to lavish her alms and offerings upon, within the broad limits of our own most needy missions? We feel confident that the Laity only await the lead of this Convention and the incitement consequent upon it, to unite their alms and prayers on this far reaching and ripening harvest field. Where else can they expect a beginning to be made? To whom else can they look for wisdom to devise and zeal to execute any extensive plans of active zeal in the cause of the Gospel? Recommendations and exhortations must issue from this source. In this way alone will any measures carry weight and influence with them. If this Convention will but proceed to devise, the Laity will not be slow to furnish ample means to execute their plans. Under the cheering and consoling influence of this firm persuasion your Committee have acted, and prompted by the hopes created by it they would recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions:

1st. Resolved, That a Missionary Committee, consisting of two Clergymen and *three* laymen be elected annually, whose duty it shall be to provide means by collections or assessments or otherwise, with which to furnish the above specified amount of support for such missionaries as the Bishop may appoint to itinerate through the upper division of the State.

2d. Resolved, That a Committee of——be appointed to mature and present to this Convention a plan for the establishment, on a permanent foundation, of two Church schools a male and a female, within the Diocese and to enable them to carry this plan into effect, they be instructed to appoint suitable persons to travel through the State, and solicit subscriptions for such schools.

The Tellers for the votes for Deputies to the General Convention reported, that the following gentlemen had received a majority of all the votes cast in each order, and were duly elected, viz:—

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.,	The Hon. R. F. W. Allston,
“ P. Trapier,	“ R. W. Barnwell,
“ J. R. Walker,	Benj. F. Huger, M. D.,
“ C. C. Pinckney, Jr.,	C. G. Memminger, Esq.

The Resolutions of the Committee on the Memorial from Christ Church, Greenville, were taken up and debated.

The Rev. Mr. Trapier moved that the Report and Resolutions be printed in the Journal and postponed for consideration at the next Convention; but withdrew his motion to allow the Rev. Mr. Barnwell to move that the Report and Resolutions be laid on the table: This Resolution was waived to allow some remarks from the Rev. Mr. Young. On a question of order being raised, the Chair decided that the original Resolutions were then in order. An appeal being taken by the Rev. Mr. Barnwell, the decision of the Chair was sustained.—The motion to lay on the table was then renewed by the mover and lost.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Trapier,

Resolved, That the consideration of the Report and Resolutions be postponed to the next Convention.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows :—

The Committee on Finance respectfully report, that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and found them correct and properly vouched, and a balance in the Treasury of fifty-one dollars and sixty-seven cents.

On the subject of the assessment of the different Churches towards the Bishop's Common Fund they beg leave to postpone their report, until the next meeting of the Convention, to enable them to obtain more full information as to the condition of the respective Churches.

J. F. BLACKLOCK, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported that they had examined the Journal of last year and found no business remaining over for the consideration of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. C. H. Hall,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be returned to the gentlemen and families of Columbia, who had kindly and hospitably entertained the members of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Young,

Resolved, That the next Convention be held on the *first Wednesday* in May 1853.

The Secretary laid before the Convention the following Circular, which was laid over for consideration at the next Convention.

“PHILADELPHIA, February 2d, 1852.

The Rev. CRANMORE WALLACE, *Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of South-Carolina*.

MY DEAR SIR:—As Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of 1850, I send you the following copy of a proposed amendment of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which I hereby certify to be a true Transcript from the Journal of the Convention aforesaid, and request you to lay it before the Convention of which you are Secretary. It was proposed and approved in both Houses of the late General Convention, and will come up for ratification at the Session in 1853.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE.”

Proposed Amendment of Article V. of the Constitution of the Pro. Epis. Church in the U. S. A., as agreed upon in General Convention, 1850.

(See JOURNAL, pp. 72, 83, 85.)

“RESOLVED, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to amend the Constitution, by substituting for the Fifth Article of the Constitution, the following Article:

ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions:

No new Diocese shall be formed, or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each Diocese concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of the Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

RESOLVED, That, the House of Bishops concurring, the above amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions."

The President having called the Rev. Mr. Hall to the Chair and retired,

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Barnwell,

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to the President of the Standing Committee for the faithful, impartial and efficient manner, in which he has filled the Chair.

The President having again taken the Chair and returned thanks for the honor done him, the Minutes were read and approved.

After suitable Collects and the Benediction by the President, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

C. HANCKEL, D. D., *President*.

ATTEST,

C. WALLACE, *Secretary*.

PAROCHIAL AND OTHER REPORTS.

REPORT OF THE BISHOP.

St. Philip's Church.

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D., Rector.

The Rev. J. Barnwell Campbell, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 3 colored; 27 white children; 11 colored; total, 42. Marriages, 4 white; 7 colored; total, 11. Burials, 12 white; 17 colored; total, 29. Communicants, 302 white; colored not known. Non-Communicants, 321 white; colored not known. Children under fourteen, 245 white; colored not known. Families, 176 white; colored not known.* Children offered to be Catechised on 17 days, about 65 white; about 15 colored; total, 80. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white; 3 colored; total, 9. Sunday School Teachers, 16 white; 10 colored; total, 26. Number of Scholars, 80 white; about 50 colored; total, 130. Public Worship—St. Philip's Church, 52 Sunday's; other days, 130; whole number of times, 137.

REMARKS.—Our "House of Prayer" has been thoroughly repaired, and the position of the Desk and the Pulpit so changed, as to render the Chancel more conspicuous, and to enlarge the space around it, for the better accommodation of communicants, and those to be confirmed or ordained.

While the "House of Prayer" was under repair, (for more than four months) the Sunday and week day services were held in our own Sunday School House, which could only accommodate a portion of the congregation, and of the remainder, many availed themselves of the kind invitation to take seats in St. Paul's or in St. Michael's Church, in the latter of which, the Ministers and many of the people attended on the occasions of administering the *Holy Communion*.

Catechising.—It was offered openly in our place of worship, during Advent, Lent, and in the Summer, as usual, but we regret that the attendance was not as great as it was in former years.

Sunday Schools.—The Rector or Assistant have punctually been present, but we greatly need an increase of Teachers. The School for the colored was seldom and by very few attended, while the Church was under repair.

Week Day Services were held as in former years, and the Holy Communion administered on 34 occasions, 16 of them in private.

Charity.—The Alms at the Holy Communion, (including \$69 25 cts., from the Alms Chest,) amounted to \$650 51½ cents. There were three thank-offerings, one of \$20, one of \$5, and one of \$1.

* Our Church having been closed four months for repairs, and the Congregation dispersed, this Report is not as accurate as usual, in these particulars.

Missions.—There was collected for the Missions of the Church, Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign, \$463.50, and, in addition, from the children in the Sunday School —

Special Collections and Gifts.—Good Friday for the Mission to the Jews, \$30.85. June 22d, Jubilee for Missions in South-Carolina, \$117.63. Nov. 21st, (Thanksgiving Day,) for the disabled Clergy, \$25. For a Parsonage at Atalanta, Georgia, \$47. Calvary Church, Charleston, \$58.50. A member for So. Ca. Mission, \$10, "Church Home," \$1,847. Church of Holy Communion, \$50, Laurens, \$10. Aiken, \$5. Greenville School, \$43.5. A lady, for Church Education, \$200.

Schools.—In the elementary School have been fifty boys and girls. In the School for advanced boys, there have been eighteen, (seven of them without charge for tuition.) The expenses were \$693 68 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents; the Tuition money paid, \$598 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents; balance, \$95 31 $\frac{1}{4}$ cents; rent of lot, \$60; a gift, \$35 31 $\frac{1}{4}$ cents. The Principal of the Classical School is a Presbyterian, (Rev. H. Elwell, A. M.) To the Alms and Prayers of the faithful our Schools are commended. Amen!

REPORTS OF THE PRESBYTERS,

ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY.

Christ Church, Greenville S. C.

The Rev. Thos. S. Arthur, Rector.

Baptisms—13 white children; 6 colored; total, 19. Marriages, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Burials, 5 white. Communicants, 61 white; 5 colored; total, 66. Non-Communicants, 65 white; 10 colored; total, 75. Children under 14, 74 white; 17 colored; total, 91. Families, 46 white; 7 colored; total, 53. Children catechised on 12 days, 26 white; 13 colored; total, 39. Confirmed by the Bishop, 11 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white; number of scholars, 30 white. Public Worship, Christ Church, 46 Sundays; number of other days 43; elsewhere, 3 times, whole number of times, 142.

REMARKS.—The Holy Communion has been administered 13 times in public, and twice in private, total, 15 times. Alms, \$85 12 $\frac{1}{2}$; Missions, \$3 by Sunday School, and \$53 55 by the congregation.

The Dehon School, established in connection with this Parish for the poor, has been liberally patronized by churchmen of the lower country. Acknowledgments have been made, in the Gospel Messenger, of \$347 55; of this amount \$200 was paid to the teacher for the last year, and the remainder will be invested as the beginning of a permanent fund, held in trust by the Vestry, for establishing this School ultimately on a stable foundation.

Eight boys and twelve girls have been taught, from those families who are unable to pay for their tuition.

We have been authorized by the liberality of C. D. Carr, Esq., to select one boy to be educated for the Ministry, at an expense of

\$70 per annum. And as this is the field which the School is designed mainly to occupy, we hope to be enabled this year to select others for the same purpose. We trust all those who see the necessity of more laborers in the Lord's vineyard, will give us their alms and prayers.

St. Peter's Church, Charleston.

The Rev. Wm. H. Barnwell, Rector.

Baptisms—1 colored adult; 7 white children; 2 colored, total, 10. Marriages, 4 white; 1 colored; total, 5. Burials, 4 white; 5 colored; total, 9. Communicants, 209 white; 44 colored; total, 253. Non-Communicants, about 182 white; about 100 colored; total, about 282. Children under fourteen, about 230 white; about 80 colored; total, about 310. Families, 136 white; about 32 colored; total, about 168. Families belonging to other congregations, 14. Children catechised 6 days, about 40 white; about 50 colored; total, about 90. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Sunday School Teachers, 21 white; number of scholars, 110 white; 100 colored; total, 210. Public Worship, St. Peter's, 52 Sundays; other days, 56; whole number of time, 158.

Mission in the vicinity of Aiken.

The Rev. C. T. Bland, Missionary.

Baptisms—9 white children. Marriages, 3 white. Communicants, 3 white. Non-Communicants, 5 white. Children under fourteen, 13 white. Families, 8 white. Families belonging to other congregations, 2 white. Children catechised on 12 days, 20 white. Sunday School Teacher, 1 white; number of scholars, 16 white. Public Worship, Potteries, 12 Sundays; Vacluse, 12 Sundays; Graniteville, 10 Sundays; Joice's Branch, 9 Sundays, 1 other day; Runs, 8 Sundays; Turn-out, 9 Sundays; whole number of times, 67.

REMARKS.—The Stations mentioned above have been regularly visited once a month. Divine services have been uninterrupted during the past year, five Sundays excepted: on two, the Missionary being necessarily absent from the Mission, three, having no congregation on account of stormy weather.

Having no appointment on the Mission for the fifth Sundays, on those days, my services have been elsewhere appropriated.

Although the number of Episcopalians in the Mission is small, and the prejudices against the Church, in many instances, inveterate, yet there is much to encourage.

Parish of Claremont.

The Rev. A. L. Converse, Rector.

Baptisms—4 white children. Marriage, 1 white. Burials, 6 white. Communicants, 37 white; 60 colored; total, 97. Non-Communicants, 27 white. Children under 14, 28 white. Families, 26. Nine children catechised 7 days. Public Worship in private rooms, 39 Sundays; 4 other days; whole number of times, 43.

REMARKS.—The Rector was necessarily absent, on two journeys to the North, about ten weeks.

The Holy Communion administered as usual on the first Sunday of the month, and on Good Friday and Christmas Day.

The "Church of the Holy Cross" is progressing towards its completion more slowly than we had hoped would be the case; but with the prospect before us of so appropriate and beautiful a House of Prayer, to be dedicated to God's service, we may well with patience wait for it,—not with patience only, but with perseverance in well doing, and with fervent prayer to our Father, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, one God, that He will "direct us with His most gracious favour, and further us with His continual help," that by this "work, begun, continued, and ended in Him," for His honour and through His blessing, "we may glorify His Holy Name."

St. Paul's Church, Pendleton.

The Rev. A. H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white child; 3 colored; total, 4. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 37 white; 4 colored; total, 41. Non-Communicants, 43 white. Children under fourteen, 47 white. Families, 25 white. 1 family belonging to another congregation. Children catechised by Teachers and the Rector, 20 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 6 white. Sunday School Teachers, 4 white. Number of Scholars, from 10 to 20 white. Public Worship, St. Paul's, Pendleton, 31 Sundays; other days, 18. Other places at a distance, 3 Sundays; 2 other days: whole number of times, 66.

REMARKS.—I reassumed the charge of St. Paul's, Pendleton, in May last, since when the services herein reported have been performed.

The Holy Communion has been administered eight times. Alms and Oblations, \$53. Jubilee offering, \$15. Advent collection, Domestic Missions, \$5.

Grace Church, Anderson C. H.

The Rev. A. H. Cornish, Missionary.

Communicants, 6 white. Holy Communion once. Jubilee offering, \$1 75. Divine Service, 2 Sundays; 2 other days,

REMARKS—This little flock has, within the year, been reduced by removals, yet the few who remain earnestly desire to enjoy in fuller measure, the privileges and blessings of their Church. And would to God some suitable Minister of the Church might be found willing to come and reside among them. Anderson is a growing place, and our brethren there need more frequent services than, under present circumstances, I can render them.

St. Thaddæus's Church, Aiken.

The Rev. John H. Cornish, Rector.

Baptisms—4 white adults; 2 colored; 7 white children; 4 colored;

total, 17. Marriage, 1 white. Burials, 4 white; 2 colored; total 6. Communicants, added, 7; lost by death, 5; by removal 6; total 11. Present Non-Communicants, 26 white; 1 colored; total, 27. Families, 20 white; 1 colored; total, 21. Children catechised publicly before the congregation eleven days, 20 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 4 white; 1 colored; total, 5. Sunday School Teachers, 7 white. Number of Scholars, 34 white; 4 colored; total 38. Public Worship, St. Thaddæus, 52 Sundays; 35 other days; whole number of times, 149.

REMARKS.—The amount of collections for Missions, \$43.06. Communion Alms, \$83.18. The several Stations in the country about, at which I have hitherto officiated, together with others, are now regularly supplied with the services of the Church, monthly, by the Missionary for the "Vicinity of Aiken."

Trinity Church, Society Hill.

The Rev. M. A. Curtis, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white adults; 3 white children; total, 6. Burial, 1 white. Communicants, 17 white; 3 colored; total, 20. Non-Communicants, 15 white. Children under fourteen, 40 white. Families, 12 white. Public Worship, Trinity Church, 20 Sundays; 6 other days. Other places, 16 Sundays.

REMARKS.—The Rector had several attacks of sickness in the early part of the year, and was so enfeebled by them as to need several months relaxation and absence from home. Services have been performed in his absence by the Rev. Mr. Elwell. The Baptismal and Burial services, here recorded, were also performed by him.

Grace Church, Camden.

The Rev. Thos. F. Davis, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 10 white children; total 11. Marriages, 1 white; 3 colored; total, 4. Burials, 6 white. Communicants, 45 white; 2 removed; 1 dead. Families, 39. Children catechised once a month, 17 white. Sunday School Teachers, 3 white.

REMARKS.—Monies collected for Charities, \$75; for Missions, \$84; for other purposes, \$74. Upon the whole, this Church is reported as advancing.

St. Stephen's and Upper St. John's.

The Rev. William Dehon, Rector.

The Rev. C. P. Gadsden, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—33 colored adults; 11 white children; 51 colored; total, 95. Marriages, 3 white; 2 colored; total, 5. Burials, 6 white; 1 colored; total, 7. Communicants, 65 white; 200 colored; total, 265. Non-Communicants, 69 white. Children under fourteen, 83 white. Families, 49 white. Families belonging to other congregations, five white. Children catechised, 20 white; 12 colored; total, 32. Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white; 108 colored; total, 113. Sunday School

Teachers, 8 white. Number of Scholars, 35 white. Public Worship, St. Stephen's, 25 Sundays; 43 other days; whole number of times, 89. Trinity, 15 Sundays; 2 other days; whole number of times, 17. Epiphany, 17 Sundays; 1 other day; whole number of times, 18. Pinopolis, 5 Sundays; whole number of times, 10.

REMARKS.—In addition to the above mentioned services, there have been held, on 14 plantations, 78 Sunday and 24 week day services for the blacks. The Holy Communion has been administered at the Parish Churches on 21 occasions; at Plantations 7 times, and in private 5 times. The amount contributed for Missions is \$825. Alms collected at the Communion, \$166.

In the latter end of September Rev. C. P. Gadsden, being on a visit to the Bradford Springs, where the congregation was suffering under a most afflicting dispensation of Providence, in the recent death of their Rector, by invitation of the Vestry he officiated four Sundays and one week day in St. Philip's Church; administered the Holy Communion once, and baptized an infant; also preached four times on a plantation in the neighborhood, to the blacks.

Parish of St. Andrew's.

The Rev. J. G. Drayton, Rector.

Baptisms—18 colored adults; 1 colored infant; Marriages, 3 colored. Burial, 1 white. Communicants, 26 white; 69 colored; total, 95. Non-Communicants, 14 white; colored unknown. Children under 14, 23 white; colored unknown. Families, 16 white; colored unknown. Families connected also with other congregations, all. Public Worship, at St. Andrew's Church, Middleton's, Magwood's, and Magnolia Chapels, 40 Sundays, at other places 17 Sundays.

REMARKS.—A Sunday School for the negroes, adults and children, has been put in successful operation through the zeal of several ladies in Magnolia Chapel.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Grahamville.

The Rev. J. H. Elliott, Rector.

Baptisms—7 colored adults; 6 white children; total, 13. Marriages, 3 white; 7 colored; total, 10. Burials, 5 white; (only one in my congregation). Communicants, 39 white; 50 colored; total, 89. Non-Communicants, 25 white. Children under fourteen, 57 white. Families, 26 white. Children catechised 16 days, 40 white; 126 colored; total, 166; the colored children catechised were upon nine plantations; whole number of times, 29. Of the white children 33 were at a settlement about six miles from the Village, where the Rector was assisted by a zealous layman and a lady of the Baptist communion. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white. Number of Scholars, 22 white; 35 colored; total, 57. Public Worship, Church of Holy Trinity, 44 Sundays; 20 other days; whole number of times, 77. Free Church, 22 Sundays. Ferebee's Church, 18 Sundays. Sardis, 10 days. Plantations 10 days. Total number of times, 137.

REMARKS.—The Church of the Holy Trinity is in process of being painted, by the liberality of a member, Mr. James Bolan. The contri-

butions for Missionary purposes, during the past year, amounted to \$112 32. Communion alms to \$89 35. Other purposes of a benevolent character 70 ; in all, 271 67.

In addition to the Catechetical instruction given by the Rector, in some instances a regular course is carried on very much to the honor, and we trust to the profit of those engaged, and in one with very distinguished success.

Prince William's Parish.

The Rev. Stephen Elliott, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—4 colored adults ; 2 colored children ; total, 6. Communicants, 110 colored. Confirmed by the Bishop, 44 colored.

REMARKS.—Services have been held as usual, with great regularity ; but the year has not been an encouraging one. The love of some has grown cold, and others have turned back ; still the husbandman ploughs in hope, and looks to the Lord of the harvest to crown the work with success.

Darlington and Chesterfield Districts.

The Rev. H. Elwell, Missionary,

Reports that during the year 1851, seven visits have been paid to the Missionary station at Mar's Bluff ; where, in consequence of the breaking up of the school and other causes, the few members of the Church declared themselves unable, at the close of the year 1850, to make provision as heretofore for the stated services of a Missionary. One visit was also paid to Darlington C. H. At Mar's Bluff, the Missionary administered the Lord's Supper three times ; the largest number of Communicants being five. One infant was baptized there, and one funeral service performed. The Missionary travelled nearly three hundred miles in the discharge of the above-mentioned duties, which were undertaken in compliance with the directions of the Bishop.

The Rector of Trinity Church, Society Hill, being compelled to leave home for the recovery of his health, committed the charge of his parish to the Missionary during his absence. In fulfilment of this trust, the Missionary held Divine Service every Sunday, from the 1st of June to the 9th of November inclusive, and preached on 37 occasions. He also baptized 3 infants and 3 adults ; administered the Lord's Supper 6 times, and performed one funeral service. Besides the services performed during the Rector's absence from home, the Missionary undertook 8 entire services while the Rector was indisposed, and assisted in the pulpit or in the desk on 7 other occasions of public worship. In addition to the duties discharged in Darlington district, the Missionary paid about 40 visits to Harris Creek Meeting House, in Chesterfield district, where he met a poor but very interesting congregation, which greatly needed and highly appreciated his instructions. By the liberality of a resident of the district, who was aware of the lamentable religious destitution of the neighborhood, the sum of \$200 was entrusted for the special support

of that Mission to the Bishop of the Diocese, at whose suggestion the Missionary undertook the work.

Christ Church Parish.

The Rev. John R. Fell, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white children ; 7 colored ; total, 10. Marriages, 3 colored. Burials, 3 white ; 3 colored ; total, 6. Communicants, 36 white ; colored, uncertain. Non-Communicants, 29 white ; colored, uncertain. Children under 14, 41 white ; colored, uncertain. Families, 22 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 4 white. Children catechised on Sundays, about 20 white. Sunday School Teachers, 3 white ; 20 white scholars. Public Worship, Parish Church, number of Sundays, 23 ; other days, 2 ; total, 25. St. Andrew's Chapel, 38 Sundays ; other days, 17 ; total, 55. Services to negroes, 6 Sundays. Whole number of times, 86.

REMARKS.—Collected for Missions, \$24 50 ; also, \$7 from the Communion alms, and \$3 from one other source, making the sum of \$10, was contributed towards the support of a young man, formerly of this parish, who is pursuing the studies preparatory to becoming a candidate for Holy Orders. I was absent for five Sundays in the fall from my parish, during which time a neighbouring brother, the Rev. Edward Phillips, very kindly officiated in my place.

St. Paul's Church, Stono ; and St. Paul's Church, Summerville.

The Rev. P. Gadsden, Rector.

Baptisms—5 white children ; 4 colored ; total, 9. Marriages, 4 white. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 18 white. Non-Communicants, 26 white. Children under 14, 40 white. Families, 20 white. Children catechised in the afternoon of Sundays, in Summerville. Public Worship, St. Paul's, 58 times.

REMARKS.—Indisposition during the past year has interrupted the services usually rendered to my parish. I have officiated within the same period at the following places : In St. James's Church, Goose-Creek, 8 times ; in Clinton, 7 times ; in Barnwell, 3 times, and administered the Communion once to 8 persons. In Branchville, twice ; in Orangeburg, once ; and in Newberry, one Sunday. There is a good spirit here among the few members of our Church, which deserves cherishing, and an earnest desire to erect a Church. A small sum has been subscribed for the purpose, but there is need of further aid to enable them to effect the object.

Trinity Church, Edgefield, C. H.

The Rev. Richardson Graham, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult ; 5 white children ; 2 colored ; total, 8. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 5 white. Communicants, 18 white ; 2

colored; total 20. Non-communicants, 25 white. Children under 14, 35 white. Families, 18 white. Children catechised 30 days, and in the afternoon of the last Sunday in each month openly in the church. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white. Sunday School Teachers—9 white; 39 white Scholars; 71 colored; total, 110. Public Worship, Trinity Church, 30 Sundays; other days, 1; total, 91. Pottersville, 15; Col. W. Brooks, 2; total 17. Whole number of times, 109.

REMARKS.—The alms received at the celebration of the Communion amounted to \$18.78; Collections for Missions, \$29.35; Collections for Parish Library, \$11.32. The ladies of the Parish have contributed \$40 for repairs on the Church, Parsonage and lot. Private contributions to be disposed of at the discretion of the Rector, \$15. In all \$114.45.

The above Report is only from the 16th of May, at which time I took charge of the Parish. There are many more that regularly attend our services than the number stated above, but as they have not formally connected themselves with the Parish I have not enumerated them in the Report.

Our Sunday Schools, as will be perceived are much larger than usual, and are exceedingly interesting. At our Monthly examinations, when the children are addressed and catechised by the Rector, the Superintendent, (the Rev. C. B. Walker,) presents a Report on the state of the Schools for the month previous, which is read and afterwards published in the "Edgefield Advertiser," for the use and information of the parents, guardians and others interested in our work and labor of love.

Trinity Church, Abbeville.

The Rev. Wm. Greene, Deacon, Minister.

Baptisms—4 white children. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 19 white. Non-communicants, 45 white. Families, 16 white. Children catechised 20 days: Confirmed by the Bishop, 5 white. Sunday Schools—3 white Teachers; 12 white scholars.

St. David's, Cheraw.

The Rev. Alexander Gregg, Rector.

Baptisms—2 white adults; 1 white child; total, 3. Marriages, 4 white; 1 colored; total, 5. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 25 white; 4 colored; total, 29. Non-communicants, 51 white; colored, uncertain; total, 51. Children under 14, 47 white; colored, uncertain. Families, 27 white. Children catechised more or less every Sunday. Sunday Schools—4 white teachers; 30 white Scholars. Public Worship, St. David's, 49 Sundays; other days, 10; Plantations and other places, 21; whole number of times, 107.

REMARKS.—Contributions, Communion Alms, \$31.92½; Foreign Missions, \$47.00; Domestic Missions, \$36.00; Advancement, \$23.00.

All Saints', Waccamaw.

The Rev. Alexander Glennie, Rector.

Baptisms—5 colored adults; 4 white children; 45 colored; total, 54. Marriages, 18 colored. Burials, 3 white; 3 colored; total, 6.—Communicants, 47 white; 136 colored; total, 183. Non-Communicants, 40 white. Children under 14, 52 white. Families, 26 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 7 white. Children catechised on 8 Sundays, 13 white; 332 colored on 125 occasions; total, 345. Confirmed by the Bishop, 3 white; 6 colored; total, 9. Public Worship, Parish Church of All Saints, 28 Sundays; 16 other days; total, 44. Southern Parish Church, 15 Sundays; 1 other day; total, 16. Summer Retreat, 8 Sundays; on Plantations, 171; total, 239.

REMARKS.—The Communion alms and contributions to Missions, amounted to \$314 76.

St. John's, John's Island.

The Rev. Charles H. Hall, Rector.

Baptisms—18 colored adults; 9 white children; 26 colored children; total, 53. Marriages, 1 white; 1 colored; total, 2. Burials, 3 white. Communicants, 55 white; 351 colored; total 406; (1 died, 1 repelled, 1 removed.) Non-communicants, 64 white. Children under 14, 62 white. Families, 47 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 7. Children catechised 10 Sundays, 20 white. Public Worship, St. John's, 7 months; 3 other days. Chapel at Rockville, 5 months; Fridays, with a lecture on the Epistle to the Hebrews. private Communion 1.

St. Paul's Church, Charleston.

The Rev. Ch. Hanckel, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—15 white children; 2 colored; total, 17. Marriages, 5 white; 4 colored; total, 9. Burials, 8 white; 1 colored; total, 9. Communicants, 260 white; 53 colored; total, 313. Non-communicants, 290 white; 83 colored; total, 373. Children under 14, 268 white; 136 colored; total, 404. Families, 194 white; 45 colored; total, 239. Families belonging also to other Congregations, not ascertained. Children catechised 16 days, about 60 white; about 25 colored; total, 85. Confirmed by the Bishop, 10 white. Sunday Schools—13 white Teachers; 6 colored; total, 19. About 85 white Scholars; about 45 colored. Public Worship, St. Paul's, on all Sundays in the year; on the Fasts and Festivals, Thanksgiving days and Wednesdays.

P. E. Church, Edisto Island and St. Stephen's Chapel, Edingsville.

The Rev. William H. Hanckel, Rector.

Baptisms—3 colored adults; 7 white children; 1 colored; total, 11; Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 2 white. Communicants, 43 white; about

100 colored ; total, 143. Non-Communicants, 49 white ; colored, not known. Children under 14, 52 white. Families, 24 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 9 white ; total, 33. Sunday School Teachers, 11 white ; Scholars, 30 white ; 80 colored ; total, 110. Public Worship, Protestant Epis. Church, Edisto Island, 28 Sundays ; other days, 3 ; total 31. St. Stephen's Chapel, Edingsville, 14 Sundays ; other days, 12 ; total, 40 ; whole number of times, 71. Also, 7 times in Georgia, during an absence of a few weeks. I have also instructed the negroes either at the Church or on one or more plantations every Sunday, when not absent.

REMARKS.—The contributions of this Parish, during the past year, for charitable and Missionary objects, &c., have amounted to \$602.69 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Prince George, Winyaw.

The Rev. R. T. Howard, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult ; 4 white children ; total, 5. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 3 white. Communicants, 49 white ; 17 colored ; total, 66. Non-Communicants, 70 white. Children under 14, 68 white. Families, 43 white. Children catechised during Sunday School. Confirmed by the Bishop, 8 white. Sunday School Teachers, 2 white ; Scholars, 12 white ; 10 colored ; total, 22. Public Worship, 1 Church.

REMARKS.—I officiated last summer in Georgetown during the whole season. This was owing to the fact that the Vestry caused to be built a good pine land Parsonage for the use of the Rector, two miles from Georgetown.

Prince Frederick's Parish, Peedee.

The Rev. Joseph Hunter, Rector.

Baptisms—4 white children ; 72 colored ; total, 76. Marriages, 1 white ; 6 colored ; total, 7. Burials, 1 white. Communicants, 16 white ; 3 colored ; total, 19. Non-Communicants, 22 white ; colored, not known. Children under 14, 40 white. Families, 15 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 8 white. Children catechised in different portions, 66 days, 140 colored. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 colored. Public Worship, Prince Frederick's, on 25 Sundays ; other days, 17 ; total, 42. Plantersville Chapel, 18 Sundays ; other days, 11 ; total, 29. Services on plantations, 81 ; whole number of times, 152.

REMARKS.—Domestic Mission, \$130. Diocesan, \$20.

St. John's Parish, Berkley.

The Rev. W. B. W. Howe, Rector.

Baptisms—3 colored adults ; 9 white children ; 36 colored ; total, 48. Marriages, 1 white. Burials, 6 white ; 1 colored ; total, 7. Communicants, 44 white. Non-Communicants, 49 white. Children under

14, 67 white. Families, 31 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 12 white. Public Worship, Biggin Church on 10 Sundays; 1 other day total, 11. Strawberry, 12 Sundays; other days, 2; total, 26. Whiteville, 12 Sundays; total, 24. Cordesville, 10 Sundays; other days; 35; total, 55. Other places, 23 Sundays; other days, 12; total, 35.

REMARKS.—Owing to removals from the parish, during the past year, I have not, at present, a correct list of the colored Communicants.

St. James's Parish, Santee.

The Rev. Nathaniel Hyatt, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white children; 8 colored adults; 188 colored children; total, 199. Marriage, 1 white. Communicants, 18 white; 190 colored; total, 208. Non-communicants, 49 white. Children under 14, 40 white. Families, 25 white. Colored children catechised on 20 days, 300; 5 days, 150; total, 450. Public Worship at Wambaw Church, 23 Sundays; other days, 3; total, 26. Services on plantations, 20 Sundays; whole number of times, 46.

Grace Church, Sullivan's Island.

The Rev. Nathaniel Hyatt, Rector.

Baptisms—2 white children; 1 colored; total, 3. Burials, 2 white; 1 colored; total, 3. Communicants, about 50 white; 8 colored; total, 58. Families, about 30 white; 6 colored; total, 36. Public Worship at Grace Church, 23 Sundays; other days, 10; whole number of times, 55.

REMARKS.—Alms at the Communion, \$80. Jubilee collection for the Society for the advancement of Christianity in South-Carolina, \$31. Subscription for Church hangings and other improvements, about \$110.

St. Matthew's Parish.

The Rev. B. Johnson, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white children. Marriage, 1 white, in Charleston. Communicants, 11 white; Non-communicants, 30 white. Children under 14, 24 white. Families, 10 white. Sunday School Teachers, 5 white; scholars, 25 white; 60 to 70 colored; total, 95. Public Worship, with preaching, 72 times.

REMARKS.—Communion administered 11 times. Alms, \$25. Sunday School Library, about 530 volumes. Services for negroes have been continued as before reported. In addition to these Sunday Schools, have been established on several plantations, for the winter season; another colored Sunday School is kept in operation in connection with the white at Totness, during the summer. This numbers generally from 60 to 70; the others, about 40. The Rector hopes in time to see one of these schools established upon every plantation in

his parish. His regular services for the blacks are generally well attended. The colored population here being entirely under the Baptist influence, the fruits of his labors are reaped by others, as is too often the case elsewhere. Our new winter Church is now being completed, erected almost entirely by the small congregation of the parish. It is a Gothic building 42 by 26 feet; and when finished, will compare favorably with most of our country Churches. No Missionary collections have been made, as the entire available means of the parish were required for this purpose.

Church of the Redeemer, Orangeburg.

The Rev. B. Johnson, Rector and Missionary.

Communicants, 11 white; Communion, 3 times. Public Worship, 40 times. S. S. School, during summer, 12 scholars. Teachers, 3.

REMARKS.—The Rector was disabled most of the summer by ill-health. The subscriptions for a Church here have steadily increased during the year; although (we regret to say) with but little assistance from abroad. A contract has been accepted, and a plan agreed upon, which will render the Church an ornament to the village. Enough has been subscribed to pay for the carpenter's work; we still need funds to plaster and paint the building. We still hope those interested in the establishment of our Church in every unoccupied field in our State, will assist us in giving it a firm and permanent foundation in this growing village. There is every reason to believe that the most ample success will finally crown our efforts. We trust to be able, in our next report, to announce that this Church has been completely finished and consecrated.

Parish of St. Michael, Charleston.

The Rev. P. Trapier Keith, Rector.

The Rev. Thomas John Young, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—24 white children; 13 colored; total, 37. Marriages, 5 white; 1 colored; total, 6. Burials, 22 white; 10 colored; total, 32. Communicants, 321 white; 37 colored; total, 358. Non-communicants, 196 white. Children under 14 years, 184 white. Families, 172 white. Children catechised 9 days, about 100 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 7 white. Sunday School—11 white Teachers; 60 white scholars. Public Worship at St. Michael's Church and Hibernian Hall, 43 Sundays; 140 other days; whole number of times, 238.

REMARKS.—St. Michael's Church was closed for thirteen Sundays, for necessary repairs. On four Sundays of that time, service was held in the Hibernian Hall. On the remaining nine Sundays the congregation generally attended St. Philip's Church, to which they had been kindly invited by the Clergy, Vestry and congregation of that Church.

By deaths and removals, we lost, during the past year, twenty-nine Communicants. Thirty-six have been added. The Communion has been administered fourteen times in the Church, and forty-three times in private to the sick and infirm.

The contributions of the year are as follows:—Alms at the Commu-

nion, \$817 13; Monthly Church Offerings for Missions, \$804 25; Sisters of Charity, \$105 92; Sunday School Offerings, \$61; Sewing Society, for Calvary Church, \$64; do. do. for an Orphan in "Church Home," \$64; Additional subscriptions for Church Hangings, \$190 Partial support of two Orphans, \$50; Additional subscription for purchase and support of Church Home, \$1442 50; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$17 96; Additional subscription for Church in Barnwell, \$15 50; Church of the Holy Communion, Cannonsboro', \$52; Episcopal School, Greenville, \$205 50; Parsonage for Church in Atlanta, Georgia, \$114 37; Subscription for Parsonage of St. Thaddæus's Church, Aiken, \$188; do. do. Support of Calvary Church, \$200; Church Hangings for Church at Key West, Florida, \$9; For purchasing furniture for the Church Home, in addition to several articles of furniture contributed, \$70; Special contributions, \$118; Various charitable and religious Societies, about \$1200; Total \$5789 13.

Prince William's Parish.

The Rev. Charles E. Leverett, Rector.

The Rev. Stephen Elliott, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—1 white child. Burials, 4 white. Communicants, 42 white. Non-communicants, 38 white. Children under 14, 86 white. Families 25 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 12 white. Children catechised nearly every Sunday in summer. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white. Sunday School—6 white Teachers; 34 Scholars. Public Worship, Sheldon Church, 25 Sundays; other days, 2; Sheldon Chapel, 22 Sundays; other days, 18; whole number of times, 109.

REMARKS.—Our Church and Communion have had a few changes, the past year. One family of nine members has been added to our winter congregation; and three families of eight individuals, altogether, connected with the summer and winter Church, have left; two of these, by removal from the Parish; the other, by secession to the Presbyterian body. We have lost, by death, four of our number. These changes and losses will, we trust, make us more earnest in our work, in season, and out of season. And whatever that work, whether it be to reprove, rebuke, or exhort, we again trust, we shall have grace given us to do it, as watchmen appointed to speak no uncertain sound.

Subscriptions have been taken in the congregation for the restoration of Sheldon Church. This edifice, it is well known, was erected by private munificence, one hundred years ago; and burnt by the British, in the war of the Revolution. Its brick walls remained, and were refitted for temporary use, some twenty-five years since. The condition of the building, and the improvement of the congregation, latterly, calling for a better state of things, it has been determined to restore the Church, as far as practicable, to its original form. This, with the erection of a substantial fence, (probably of brick and iron,) around the grave-yard, is contemplated to cost about ten-thousand dollars. Towards this sum, over six-thousand have been readily obtained, chiefly by several handsome subscriptions of five-hundred; one of one thousand; and another of

fifteen hundred dollars. It is thought that the Church will be ready for consecration in a twelve month's time.

Mr. Cuthbert's School, for poor and orphan boys, is in successful operation. Twenty are, at present connected with it; four have been put out to trades. It is the desire of the generous founder to increase the number to forty, which could easily be done, were those able, willing to bear a part of the burden and heat of the day. With some fifteen hundred expended by Mr. C., himself, and the amount contributed by others in the Parish, the means to support and educate twenty boys, is wholly appropriated. The expense of each is one hundred dollars a year. It was hoped by the Rector, that his notice, in report to the Convention last year, would have elicited aid from some of the wealthy, or prosperous members of the Church in South-Carolina; but he regrets to say that like most appeals, it has, in no one case been responded to, but with the neglect that seems to ask, "*Am I my brother's keeper?*"

It will be found by referring to the sums contributed by different members of our Church, that all are not heedless in communicating of their means, to Christian calls and claims. May this incite others, who have much or little, to work while it is called to-day, as men who shall each for himself, give in an account of his stewardship to God.

Mr. Cuthbert's expenses for School, \$1500; other members of Sheldon Church to the same, \$350; Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$175; Repairs on Parsonage buildings, \$250; Missionaries on plantations, \$430; Communion collections, \$50. Total, \$2,755. These amounts are given in round numbers; the exact sums will probably, rather exceed the ones named.

Church of the Messiah, North Santee.

The Rev. E. C. Logan, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white child. Burials, 1 white adult. Communicants, 24 white. Non-Communicants, 28 white. Children under 14, 5 white. Families, 16 white. Families belonging to other congregations, 12 white. Public Worship, 19 Sundays; other days, 2; total, 21. Communion alms, \$17.47. Easter collection for Foreign Missions, \$19 10.

REMARKS.—I entered upon the discharge of the duties of this Church on the 15th December, 1850, and the above Report is for the 5 months following, after which time the Church was closed as usual, for 6 months.

North Santee.

The. Rev. E. C. Logan, Missionary.

Number of plantations on which I am employed as Missionary, 11. Preached, or catechised the adults, 145 times. Catechised the children, 42 times. Communion administered, 26 times. Communicants, 250. Baptisms, 19 adults; 55 children; total, 74. Confirmed by the

Bishop, 96. Marriages, 13. Burials, 13: Communion alms, (applied to the African mission,) \$8.29. Number of Chapels, 2. Temporary substitutes, 5.

REMARKS.—Service is performed with more or less frequency, on each place, and throughout the year. Besides being catechised by me as frequently as I can spare the time, the children are taught to repeat the Church catechism several times a week by competent colored persons, when such can be found on the plantations to which the children respectively belong, and on most of the places one such can be found. One place has been added to the mission this year, included in the above return.

In addition to the foregoing, I have to report having preached 3 times on Cooper river to the negroes on plantations, and baptised 1 colored child; also, having performed divine service 12 times on South Island, during the summer season.

*Calvary Church, Glenn Springs, and the Church of the Advent,
Spartanburg, C. H.*

The Rev. Jno. D. McCollough, Rector and Missionary.

Baptisms—8 white adults; 1 colored; 4 white children; total, 13. Marriages, 1 white. Communicants, 34 white; 2 colored; total, 36. Non-communicants, 11 white; 1 colored; total, 12. Children under 14, 16 white; 5 colored; total, 21. Families, 14 white; 1 colored; total, 15. Families belonging also to other congregations, 1 white, containing 2 communicants. Children catechised in Sunday School. Confirmed by the Bishop, 14 white. Sunday Schools—5 white Teachers; 13 white scholars. Public Worship, Calvary Church, 17 Sundays; other days, 1; Church of the Advent, 20 Sundays; other days, 16; at Limestone Springs, 2 Sundays; other days, 2; without the Mission, 10 Sundays; other days, 4; whole number of times, 117.

St. Helena Island.

The Rev. David McElheran, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 2 white children; total, 3. Marriages, 2 white. Burials, 6 white; 1 colored; total, 7. Communicants, 23 white; 8 colored; total, 31. Non-communicants, 18 white. Children under 14, 21 white. Families, 19 white. Children catechised during summer: Sunday Schools—2 white Teachers; 12 white Scholars; 20 to 30 colored. Public Worship, Central Church, 51 Sundays; other days, 3. St. Helenaville Chapel, 20 Sundays; whole number of times, 74.

REMARKS.—Several families having become only transient visitors to the Island, are not included in the above Report. Two families have removed from the Island with five Communicants. We have lost by death one white and one black Communicant.

Mission of St. John's Chapel, Hampstead, Charleston.

The Rev. Alex. W. Marshall, D. D., Missionary.

Baptisms—5 white adults ; 3 colored ; total, 8. Children, 13 white ; 17 colored ; total, 30. Marriages, 6 white ; 11 colored ; total, 17. Burials, 28 white ; 17 colored ; total, 45. Communicants, 42 white ; 30 colored ; total, 72. Children catechised 12 days. Confirmed by the Bishop, 1 white ; 2 colored ; total, 3. Sunday Schools, 6 white Teachers. Public Worship, St. John's Chapel, 52 Sundays ; other days, 62 ; whole number of times, 172.

REMARKS.—It has pleased God to enable me to discharge the duties referred to in my report to the last Convention.

St. Thomas and St. Dennis.

The Rev. Edward Phillips, Rector.

The Rev. Richard S. Seely, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—2 colored adults ; children, 1 white ; 14 colored ; total, 17. Marriage, 1 colored. Communicants, 17 white ; 75 colored ; total, 92. Non-communicants, 32 white ; colored, unknown. Children under 14, 46 white ; colored, unknown. Families, 21 white, colored unknown. Families belonging also to other congregations, 3 white. Public Worship, St. Thomas, 12 Sundays ; other days, 6 ; total, 18. The Chapel, 12 Sundays ; one other day. On plantations, 8 Sundays ; 6 other days ; total, 55.

REMARKS.—The Rev. R. S. Seely has been elected teacher of the Berresford school, and appointed assistant to the Rector. No other important change has occurred in this Parish within the past year. The number of Baptisms, as reported, is unusually small. The reason is, I thought it necessary to delay the admission of catechumens into the Church for longer trial and instruction.

Report of Rev. W. T. Potter.

The past year has been a season of the deepest solicitude and anxiety to me ; passed, almost, uninterruptedly in the sick chamber of an afflicted, suffering, devoted wife. Since April last, unqualified for the active and continuous discharge of clerical duties, my report will embrace only occasional services, extended to me through the courtesy of my brethren, except the services rendered on my own and Col. Hamilton's plantations. On the latter, I baptized 20 infants, and 1 adult ; administered the Lord's Supper on two occasions ; married several couples, and performed the funeral service over the mortal remains of 1 adult and 2 infants. From time to time, have visited the sick and afflicted with the consolations of our holy religion, exercising a pastoral relation. Six or eight times I have preached for my estimable brother, the Rector of Prince William's on the Lord's Day ; also on the Festival of the Nativity, always assisting him at the Communion

when present, and occasionally reading prayers. My services in Beaufort were less needed; several Clergymen frequently being present—but I preached, read prayers, and assisted at the Communion whenever solicited by the Rector, which was quite frequently. During the whole year, I have attended upon two black Sunday schools, and their progress has been encouraging. While the present cloud hangs over my domestic life, providentially ordered, I seek not a permanent cure, but never omit an opportunity of exercising ministerial functions. Leaving all to Him who will do right, I remain your afflicted brother in the Church of Christ.

St. Bartholemew's Parish.

The Rev. W. O. Prentiss, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; infants, 10; 36 colored; infants, 21; total, 68. Burials, 5 white; 4 colored; total, 9. Marriages, 1 white; 2 colored; total, 3. Sunday Schools—9 white Teachers; 30 white Scholars; 7 colored Teachers; 75 colored Scholars. Public Worship, Ashepoo, 14 Sundays; one other day; Walterboro, 30 Sundays; other days, 13; whole number of times, 73. Chapel on 2 Sundays.

REMARKS.—The present condition of the Parish differs but little from that described in previous Reports: The congregations remain very much the same, except that 2 white persons have been added to the Communion, and 36 colored persons. The Communion has been administered in the Churches on 16 different occasions, and 4 times at private residences. The Communion alms amount to \$76.24, the monthly missionary offerings of the Church to \$62.70.

The same pious and devoted layman, who has for several years been engaged in instructing the negroes of the Parish, still continues his "work of faith and labor of love," greatly to their edification and much to the assistance and comfort of the Rector:

The Church now being erected in Walterboro, will be ready for consecration some time during the next summer. The Church at Chessee was destroyed by a storm in August last; but efforts are being made to replace it with an edifice more suitable for the accommodation of that interesting congregation.

Zion Church, Richland.

The Rev. J. M. Pringle, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 6 colored; 6 white children; 12 colored; total, 25. Marriages, 1 white; 2 colored. Burials, 3 white. Communicants, 17 white; 88 colored; total, 105. Families in connexion with the Church, 15 white; other families attending the services of the Church, 9. Sunday Schools—6 white Teachers; Scholars of Zion Church Sunday School 25; of the Saturday Religious School at Zion Chapel on the Marsh, 23; of the Sunday afternoon School at the Lower Church, 6; whole number of white children in the three Schools, 54. Public Worship, 51 Sundays; other days 3. Places of Worship, Zion Church; Lower Church; Zion Chapel.

REMARKS.—The negroes of four Plantations have been instructed once a month on each place. The adults were taught to repeat a portion of the Epistle to the Ephesians, (Ephesians, iv. 17 verse to the end of the chapter,) and to answer questions upon it; and after morning or evening Prayer as the time might be a sermon was preached to them, and on every occasion the Communicants and such as are desirous of admission into the Church were detained a few moments after the rest were dismissed, that some particular counsels and exhortations might be addressed to them. The negro children catechised at three times it is supposed cannot be less than one hundred in all.

A candidate for orders acted as Lay Reader during the greater part of the year and performed the services of the Church and read a sermon, spending three Sundays of each month in this way, having regular appointments at two different points in the neighbourhood; and by his means a new position has been occupied for stated public worship, and it is hoped that he will be able to continue this useful course during the coming year.

Report of the Rev. Edward Reed.

Flat Rock, Jan. 30, 1852.

In presenting my annual Report, I have only to say that shortly after the commencement of the year my health became so much enfeebled as to render me unable to officiate; in consequence I resigned my Parish after a few weeks. In April I came to this place where I have since been; having officiated for the Church of St. John in the Wilderness during the summer, (from June to November,) and performed occasional services since.

My health has, through God's blessing, been so much restored by my residence here that I hope in the fall to return to South-Carolina, able to labor, whenever God in his Providence shall assign me a place.

St. John's, Fairfield.

The Rev. J. J. Roberts, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 3 blacks; 6 white infants; total, 10. Confirmations, 5 white; 15 blacks; total, 20. Marriage, 1 white. Burial, 1 white infant. Communicants, 36. Added by admission, 5 white; 3 black; do. do. transfer 3 white. Diminished by removal, 5 white; do. do. withdrawal, 1 white. 22 white children catechised before the congregation on Communion Sundays.

REMARKS.—There is a Sunday School for white persons and negroes. I catechise a class of slaves at a gentleman's plantation. We expect, during the present year, to erect a Church-building at Ridgeway, 11 miles from Winnsboro. I held two services at Emmanuel Church, Chester District; the congregations were large. I baptised 1 white infant.

Report of Rev. R. S. Seely.

St. Thomas and St. Dennis, Jan. 1852.

During the past year, I have held Divine Service and preached as follows: In the Church of the Epiphany, Laurensville, I have held Divine Service 77 times, and preached 51 times, and administered the Lord's Supper 8 times. In the Church and Chapel of St. Thomas and St. Dennis, I have held Divine Service 8 times; preached 5 times; administered the Supper of the Lord once; and married one couple of blacks. So that in all I have held Divine Service 85 times; preached 56 sermons; married one couple, and celebrated the Lord's Supper 9 times.

REMARKS.—I resigned my charge in Laurensville on the 15th of November, since which time I have been assisting the Rector of St. Thomas and St. Dennis.

Trinity Church, Columbia.

The Rev. Peter J. Shand, Rector.

Baptisms—3 white adults; 21 white children; 2 colored; total, 26. There was also one white child duly received into the Church, who had been privately baptized in another Parish of the Diocese. Marriages, 3 white; 3 colored; total, 6. Burials, 10 white. Communicants, 106 white; 6 colored; total, 112. Non-communicants, 79 white; 4 colored; total, 83. Children under 14, 96 white; 3 colored; total, 99. Families, 78 white; 5 colored; total, 83. Children usually catechised monthly. Sunday Schools, 6 white Teachers; from 20 to 30 white scholars. Public Worship, each Sunday and each Friday in the year, and also on each Festival and Fast day, with but few exceptions.

REMARKS—Ten white Communicants have been added to the Church; 8 of them new Communicants, and 2 Communicants of other parishes; recently removed into this. Contributions have been made to the Bishop for Diocesan Missions, and also to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Institutions of the Church.

Grace Church, Charleston.

The Rev. W. W. Spear, Rector.

The Rev. C. C. Pinckney, Jr., Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—1 white adult; 2 colored; 26 white children; 7 colored; total, 36. Marriages, 5 white; 2 colored; total, 7. Burials, 14 white; 1 colored; total, 15. Communicants, 130 white; 20 colored; total, 150. Non-communicants, 160 white; 30 colored; total, 190. Children under 14, 270 white; 30 colored; total, 300. Families belonging also to other congregations, 12. Children catechised every Sunday, 50 white; 20 colored; total, 70. Confirmed by the Bishop, 21 white; 1 colored; total, 22. Sunday Schools, 12 white Teachers; 7 colored; total, 19. Scholars, 65 white; 50 colored; total, 115. Public Worship, 52 Sundays; other days, 42; whole number of times, 152.

REMARKS.—Money collected for Parochial and Missionary purposes, \$1,800. A beautiful font has been presented to the Church by Mrs. Eliza Kohne.

Calvary Church, Charleston.

The Rev. Paul Trapier, Minister.

Baptisms—1 white adult ; 6 colored ; total, 7 ; 3 white children ; 11 colored ; total, 21. Marriages, 4 colored. Burials, 1 white ; 8 colored ; total, 9. Communicants, 15 white ; 26 colored ; total, 41. Non-communicants, 6 white ; colored not known. Children under 14, 17 white ; colored not known. Families, 8 white ; colored not known. Children catechised on 12 days, about 12. Confirmed by the Bishop, 2 white ; 6 colored ; total, 8. Sunday Schools, 21 white Teachers ; 15 white Scholars. Public Worship, Calvary, 52 Sundays ; other days, 39 ; whole number of times, 145.

REMARKS.—Communion administered 26 times. Communionals, \$72 ; from the boxes, \$33 ; for South-western Missions, \$14.78 ; for African Mission, \$55.27 ; for disabled Clergy, \$6.69.

In the Sunday School, there have been 756 colored people, of whom the largest number present, at any one time, has been 211.

The congregations on Sundays have been much as last reported.

Meetings have been held under the supervision of the Minister on one of the evenings of the week for instruction, kindly given gratuitously by a teacher of music. These meetings have been attended by from 20 to 30, who are now able to lead in the singing of the psalms and hymns, and of all the chants, except the *Te Deum*, greatly to their own satisfaction, and to the manifest increase of the interest of the people generally, in the services of the Church.

The lot has been enclosed by a neat fence, which has been paid for, as is also the building ; so that the Church is now out of debt.

Church of the Holy Communion, Canonsborough, Charleston.

The Rev. Edwin A. Wagner, Deacon.

Baptisms—1 colored adult ; 6 white children ; 2 colored ; total, 9. Burials, 3 white ; 1 colored ; total, 4. Communicants, 14 white ; 2 colored ; total, 16. Non-communicants, 30 white ; colored, attendance varying. Children under 14, white, 37 ; colored, unknown. Families, white, 17 ; 1 colored ; total, 18. Families belonging also to other congregations, several who attended occasionally. Children catechised, generally on each Sunday, after the instruction by their teachers in Sunday School ; whites in the morning ; colored in the afternoon. Sunday Schools, 7 white Teachers ; 27 white Scholars ; colored, varying from 10 to 60 in their attendance, which is always good during the summer. Public Worship, Holy Communion, 52 Sundays ; 43 other days ; whole number of times, 137.

REMARKS.—During the past year, the Vestry have been enabled, by the subscriptions of a few friends to purchase an eligible site for the location of a Church edifice, which it is now confidently expected will

be commenced in a few months. Cannot some of our elder brethren give us aid?

Christ Church, Wilton.

The Rev. E. T. Walker, Rector.

Baptisms—1 white child ; 5 colored children. Marriages, 2 colored. Burials, 4 white ; 3 colored ; total, 7. Communicants, 23 white ; 60 colored ; total, 83. Non-communicants, 12 white. Children under 14, 20 white ; 100 colored ; total, 120. Families, 17 white. Children catechised once a week. Confirmed by the Bishop, 8 colored. Public Worship—Wilton, Christ Church, 24 Sundays ; 3 other days. Chapel, 16 Sundays. Plantations, 40 Sundays ; whole number of times, 80.

REMARKS.—Missionary contributions, \$114 ; education, \$75.

Edgefield Court-House, S. C.

The Rev. C. Bruce Walker.

Baptism—1 white child. REMARKS.—The undersigned, from continued weakness of lungs, and by order of his medical advisers, has abstained during the past year from any use of his voice in public, except in assisting in the administration of the Lord's Supper in the Parish of Trinity Church, Edgefield, each month, and in baptising one infant, the service being chiefly read on this occasion, by the Rev. Rector of this parish. I have endeavored to do what I could as Superintendent of a Sunday School, without any undue tax upon my voice ; the opening and closing services being usually conducted by the Rector of the Church. Of the state of this school, the Rev. R. Graham will make a report.

St. Helena, Beaufort.

The Rev. Joseph R. Walker, Rector.

The Rev. Stiles Mellichamp, Assistant Minister
and Missionary to negroes.

Baptisms—1 white adult ; 4 colored ; 18 white children ; 23 colored ; total, 47. Marriages, 1 white ; 6 colored ; total, 7. Burials, 9 white ; 5 colored ; total, 14. Communicants, 124 white ; 120 colored ; total, 244. Non-communicants, 88 white. Children under 14, 194 white. Families, 61 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 9 white. Children catechised 50 times, 52 white ; 90 colored ; total, 142. Sunday Schools—13 white Teachers ; 6 colored ; 70 white Scholars ; 50 colored ; total, 120. Public Worship, St. Helena Church, 52 Sundays ; other days, 64 ; plantations, 23 Sundays ; other days, 69 ; total, 258.

REMARKS.—The Church continues on the whole, in a prosperous condition in respect of numbers, attendance and so forth, quite so. Some few additions have been made to the Communion. We have, however, sustained a heavy loss in the death of two young and several aged

members of the Church. "They departed hence in the Lord, and with the souls of the faithful, are in joy and felicity, and we give God hearty thanks for the good examples of those his servants who having finished their career in faith do now rest from their labours."

The Report of the Parish Assistant, and Missionary to the negroes is appended, the statistics of his mission being incorporated in the Tabular Report.

I commenced my labors in this Parish in May last, chiefly among the negroes. I have nine plantations in my mission. On one Sabbath I preach three times to the people of four plantations, on the next three times for five plantations, three of them assembling at a small Church, built for the purpose. At first I instructed the children on two plantations on Saturdays. This arrangement is now ('52) extended to five places.

From May to November 12, when I took a respite of six weeks, these services were continued without intermission, with the exception of two or three inclement Sabbaths, and as many more, on which I officiated for the Rector in Beaufort.

The negroes are generally attentive. Seem grateful for religious privileges, and better instructed than this class usually are.

May the Lord put it into the hearts of his children in every neighborhood to afford the blessings of the Gospel to this portion of their own households.

St. Stephen's Chapel, Charleston.

The Rev. Cranmore Wallace, Minister.

The Rev. J. Ward Simmons, Deacon, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—6 white adults ; 1 colored ; 15 white children ; 4 colored ; total, 26. Marriages, 4 white ; 1 colored ; total, 5. Burials, 14 white ; 3 colored ; total, 17. Communicants, 125 white ; 8 colored ; total, 133. Non-communicants, 100 white ; colored, unknown. Children under 14, 200 white ; colored unknown. Families, 100. Families belonging also to other congregations, 2 white. Children catechised several days, 25 white. Confirmed by the Bishop, 7 white. Sunday Schools—12 white Teachers, 75 white Scholars ; 12 colored ; total, 99. Public Worship, St. Stephen's, 52 Sundays ; other days, 265 ; whole number of times, 425.

Report of the Rev. B. C. Webb, Missionary to the slaves in Prince William's Parish.

The operations of the Mission were much interrupted by the ill-health of the Missionary. From January to the latter part of July, though in feeble health he regularly officiated at the different stations both on Sundays and in the week, except on three occasions.—On one of these, he was sick and on the other two he was absent. From the latter part of July to that of October, there was an interruption to his ministrations by sickness and his travelling for recreation and restoration. His labors were resumed the latter part of October, and continued uninterrupted to the end of the year, except once, when he was detained at home by indisposition. The plantations are the

same in number as last year. The number of Communicants within the last year or two has been reduced by sales and removals. They number about 100 ; 3 lost by death, 5 added. Baptisms—infants, 6 ; adults, 4 ; Burials, 8 ; Marriages, 2 ; the Lord's Supper administered 10 times.

St. Mark's, Clarendon.

The Rev. Arthur Wigfall, Rector.

Baptisms—2 white children ; 1 colored ; total, 3. Communicants, 29 white ; about 30 colored ; total, 59. Non-communicants, 20 white. Children under 14, 40 white. Families, 20 white. Families belonging also to other congregations, 2 white. Sunday Schools—4 white Teachers ; 25 white Scholars ; 10 colored ; total, 39. Public Worship, 50 Sundays ; 2 other days ; whole number of times, 52.

REMARKS.—Mr: Jacob V. Welch is still employed as catechist among the slaves of this Parish. He labours most faithfully, and as we trust with God's blessing.

St. Luke's Parish.

Rev. A. Woodward, Rector.

Baptisms—5 white children. Burials, 2 white adults ; 1 white child ; total, 3. Families, 40 white. Families belonging to other congregations, 4 white. Communicants, 30 white ; 26 colored ; total, 56. Sunday School—1 white Teacher ; 12 white Scholars ; total, 13. Public Worship, service from November to June, every Sunday once a day, either in St. Luke's Church on the Main, or in Zion Chapel on Hilton Head ; and from June to November, every Sunday twice a day, in the Chapel of the Cross at Bluffton ; total number of times, including services to colored people on Islands and Main, 80.

REMARKS.—The Rector, on account of illhealth, was absent several weeks, the last summer, during which time, his place was acceptably supplied by the Rev. Joseph B. Seabrook.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1851.

	<i>White.</i>	<i>Colored.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Baptisms—Adults.....	45	194	239
“ Children,.....	346	631	977
Grand Total,.....	<hr/> 391	<hr/> 825	<hr/> 1216
Marriages,.....	73	106	179
Burials,	222	108	330
Congregation—Communicants,.....	2730	2313	5043
“ Non-communicants,...	2404	226	2630
“ Children under 14,...	2718	388	3106
“ Families,.....	1750	98	1848
Families belonging to other Congrega- tions,.....	135		135
Children catechised,.....	631	1273	1904
Confirmed by the Bishop,.....	211	180	391
Sunday Schools—Number of Teachers,	243	36	279
“ “ “ Scholars,	1119	792	1911

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH,
IN THE
DIOCESE OF SOUTH-CAROLINA.

ARTICLE I.

Of acceding to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.

The Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina accedes to, recognizes and adopts the general Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

Of Stated Meetings.

A stated Convention shall be held annually in Charleston, on the second Wednesday in February, or at such time, and in such place, as shall have been determined upon by the preceding Convention.

ARTICLE III.

Of Members of Convention

SECTION 1.—The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.

SECTION 2.—The Bishop, the Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and the Minister, or Ministers of every Episcopal Church in union with this Convention, shall always be, *ex-officio*, a member or members of this Convention, with a right to vote on all matters requiring the suffrages thereof: *Provided*, that no Clergyman shall be entitled to *vote* in Convention, unless he has been actually, as well as canonically resident

within the Diocese, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the meeting of the Convention, and has, for the same period, been employed in performing the duties of his station: *Provided*, also, that no Clergyman, otherwise entitled to a seat and vote in Convention, shall, by reason of advanced years, or infirm health, or temporary absence, be divested of such privilege.

SECTION 3.—Every other Clergyman of the Church being a Missionary, officiating under the sanction of the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, or a Chaplain in any benevolent or other public institution, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote on matters involving the temporal concerns of the Churches. The provisions of the second section of this Article shall also apply to the preceding part of this section. Every other Clergyman, being an instructor of youth in any seminary of learning, constituted by Civil or Ecclesiastical authority, in this Diocese, or a Chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States, or being prevented by age and infirmity from exercising his clerical functions, shall be entitled to all the privileges of a member of this Convention, with the exception of the right to vote.

SECTION 4.—Lay-Delegates, not exceeding four (4) in number, shall be elected by the respective Episcopal Churches, in union with this Convention, from among the members of those Churches respectively to represent them in Convention; the Delegates to be elected in such manner and time, as each Church shall deem proper, to serve for one stated Convention. They shall, before they are permitted to take their seats in Convention, produce written testimonials of their election. For special Conventions, special elections shall be held.

SECTION 5.—No member shall hereafter represent two distinct Churches, or shall, in any case, have more than one vote.

SECTION 6.—A Lay-Member, having taken his seat in the Convention as a Delegate from any Church, shall not, (without the unanimous consent of the Convention,) be permitted to relinquish his seat, and take a seat as the Delegate of another Church.

ARTICLE IV.

Of a Quorum.

Ten (10) Members of the Clerical Order, and Lay-Representatives of ten (10) Churches, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business generally; but any number of either Order, that shall assemble, may adjourn from day to day, until a quorum is formed.

ARTICLE V.

Of the President.

The Bishop of the Diocese shall be, *ex-officio*, President of the Convention. But in case of his absence, or a vacancy in the Episcopate,

the President of the Standing Committee shall be the President of the Convention : and if he be not present, a presiding officer shall be elected from among the attending Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

Of the Secretary.

A Secretary, who shall also be, *ex-officio*, Treasurer, shall be annually chosen, (and continue in office until a successor be appointed,) who shall keep a true and correct Journal of the Proceedings of the Convention, attest its public acts, preserve its records, and give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meeting of the Convention ; and this notice shall be given at least six weeks before the meeting of such Convention. He shall also keep regular accounts of all money transactions, to be annually laid before the Convention, and shall faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers, relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VII.

Of the Standing Committee.

SECTION 1.—A standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters of the Diocese, and five Laymen, taken indiscriminately from among the actual communicants of the Church in the Diocese, shall be elected by ballot at every regular meeting of the Convention, for the purposes expressed in the Constitutions and Canons of the General and Diocesan Conventions, who shall continue in office until another Committee be appointed.

SECTION 2.—At their first meeting after their appointment, they shall choose one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President ; and another of their body to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all the proceedings and business of the Committee, to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for that purpose alone, to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee, to attest their public acts, to perform such other duties as they may require, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee, which may have been entrusted to him.

SECTION 3.—They shall present to each annual Convention, an abstract of the minutes of their proceedings since the former Convention.

SECTION 4.—Vacancies in this Committee, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, shall be supplied by the suffrages of the remaining members, a majority of the whole Committee being necessary to constitute a choice.

ARTICLE VIII.

Of Special Meetings.

SECTION 1.—The Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special meeting of the Convention; and such meeting shall be held where the authority calling it shall determine; and at such special meeting no other business shall be transacted than that stated in the notice calling the Convention.

SECTION 2.—No special meeting of the Convention shall be called for the election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop.

ARTICLE IX.

Of Voting in Convention.

On all questions, unless otherwise provided by the Constitution, the members shall deliberate and vote as one body; but any two Clergymen, or the Delegation from any two Churches, may call for a separate vote of each Order, when the Clergy shall vote individually, and the Lay-Delegates by Churches, (a majority of each Delegation having one vote,) and a majority in both Orders shall, in each case, be necessary to a decision.

ARTICLE X.

Of the Election of a Bishop or Assistant Bishop:

In the election of a Bishop, or Assistant Bishop of this Diocese, a majority of each Order shall determine a choice: *Provided*, that two-thirds (2-3ds) of all the Clergy entitled to a vote, and two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches entitled to representation, be present; otherwise, two-thirds (2-3ds) of the votes of each Order present, shall be necessary to determine a choice.

ARTICLE XI.

Of the Trial of a Clergyman.

A Clergyman shall be subject to a trial for offences enumerated in the Canon of the General Convention "*of offences for which Ministers shall be tried and punished*," and in the Canons of this Convention. The trial shall be conducted according to the mode provided for by the Canons of this Convention.

ARTICLE XII.

Of the Admission of Churches or Parishes into the Convention.

Whenever a Church or Parish, not now entitled to a representation, shall be desirous of uniting with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese, they shall apply by letter to the Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, or he be absent, to the Standing Committee, stating the due organization of their Church, the election of their Vestrymen and Church Wardens, their means or prospects for the support of a minister, and

their willingness to conform to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and the Constitution and Canons of the Convention of this Diocese, which are now or hereafter may be enacted by authority of the same. And at the Convention next succeeding the receipt of such application, the Bishop or Standing Committee shall communicate the same to the Convention for their decision thereon. Should the Convention make a favorable decision, the said Church shall then be considered in union with the Convention of the Church in this Diocese: *Provided, always*, that the Delegates of the Church, or Parish, newly admitted, though entitled to a seat, shall not be allowed a vote at the meeting of the Convention in which their Church or Parish is admitted. But no Lay vote shall be received from any Church or Parish, which has for three (3) successive years neglected to elect a Vestry and Wardens, or to pay its quota to the Convention, until admitted by a vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of Deputies to the General Convention.

SECTION 1.—At every annual Convention, four Presbyters and four Laymen shall be chosen by ballot, to represent this Diocese in General Convention.

SECTION 2.—In case any Deputy, appointed as above, shall decline such appointment, or be unable to attend, it shall be his duty to inform the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee; and the Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint a substitute for any deputy so declining, or unable to attend: *Provided*, that such substitute be a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church in South-Carolina.

ARTICLE XIV.

Of Altering the Constitution.

No one of these Articles shall be altered or repealed, nor shall any Article be adopted, unless such alteration, repeal, or new Article be proposed, considered and concurred in by a majority at one Convention, and concurred in by two-thirds (2-3ds) of the Churches present at a subsequent Convention.

CANONS.

CANON I.

On making Collections for the Bishop's Common Fund.

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, or his Assistant, shall from time to time, at his discretion, preach in every Church under his care, a Sermon on the nature and duties of the Episcopal office; and the Vestry of each Church are requested to make a collection annually in aid of the Bishop's Common Fund; or, in lieu of such collection, the Minister and Vestry of such Church may substitute an annual contribution. *Passed 1822. Amended 1826.*

CANON. II.

Providing for an accurate view of the state of the Church.

Every Minister having a Parochial charge in this Diocese, shall, at or before the meeting of every annual Convention, deliver or transmit to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, an accurate statement, in writing, of the number of Baptisms, Burials and Marriages in his Parish or Church, during the year ending on the first of January preceding; specifying the number of places where, and how often in each, Divine Service is held; the number of Families, (discriminating in each instance the number of Families belonging likewise to other Congregations,) Communicants, Adults and Children under fourteen (14) years, attending or belonging to the same; the number catechised by him, and on how many Sundays; whether there be any Sunday School, and, if any, the number of Children and Teachers, and the subjects of instruction in the same; and, generally, all such other matters as may tend to throw light on the state of the Church under his care, which reports shall be laid before the Convention, and entered on the Journals, conformably to the seventh (7th) Canon of the General Convention of 1835. *Passed 1825. Amended 1841.*

CANON III.

Trial of a Clergyman.

SECTION 1.—In order to bring a Clergyman to trial before an Ecclesiastical Court, a charge shall be made in the first place, to the Standing Committee, in writing, under the proper signature of at least two persons, one of whom shall be a Presbyter of this Diocese. And if the Standing Committee shall deem the offence charged, as coming within the offences enumerated in the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese

or of the General Convention, and that it ought to be presented, they shall present the same to the Bishop in the following form :

To A. B., Bishop of the Diocese of South-Carolina.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of South-Carolina, respectfully represent that C. D. has been accused under the hand of E. F. and G. H. [here recite the charge or charges,] and the Committee are of opinion, that there is sufficient ground for presenting the said C. D. for trial, agreeably to the Canon, in such case made and provided.

Signed by the Standing Committee.

SECTION 2.—But nothing, herein contained, shall be regarded as interfering with the duty of the Bishop to institute an inquiry on his own motion, according to the thirty-seventh Canon of the General Convention.

SECTION 3.—A presentment being made, the Bishop shall proceed, from among those entitled to a seat in the Convention, other than the members of the Standing Committee, to designate twelve (12) Presbyters, and cause a list of their names and a copy of the presentment to be furnished to the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, if he be not found. Within thirty (30) days thereafter, the accused shall select five (5) of the twelve (12) Presbyters, and give notice thereof to the Bishop: and in case of his failure to do so, the Bishop shall select five (5): and, in either case, the selected Presbyters shall constitute a Council for the trial of the accused.

SECTION 4.—The Council shall hold its session at such time and place as the Bishop may appoint, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place within the Diocese. If it fail to meet on the day appointed, it shall stand adjourned to the next day, and from day to day, for the space of three days, if it be not sooner formed; and if the whole number do not attend, and it appears probable that a full attendance cannot be had, those of the Council who may be present, being not less than three (3), shall proceed to trial: The Council shall appoint a President and Secretary, the first from their own body, and the latter from their own body, or otherwise; and before proceeding to trial, shall ordain and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted. It shall cause the oral testimony for and against the accused to be written down by the Secretary, and, along with the depositions and other evidence read upon the trial, to be carefully preserved; and shall cause a record to be kept of its proceedings. Some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may be called upon by the Council to administer an oath, or affirmation, to the witnesses; and the trial shall be in public, if desired by the Standing Committee, or by the accused.

SECTION 5.—A written notice of the time and place of the meeting of the Council shall be served upon the accused, or left at his usual place of abode, (if he be not found) at least thirty (30) days before such meeting: and like notice shall be given to the Standing Committee, who by

their President, or some one whom they may appoint to perform that office, shall collect and present the evidence in support of the accusation, and otherwise appear in behalf of the prosecution.

SECTION 6.—If the accused do not appear, the Council may proceed to trial in his absence, or, for good cause shown, may adjourn the trial to another day; and if he refuse, or decline to appear, the Council shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, who thereupon shall pass upon him sentence of suspension from the Ministry; but such sentence may be revised by the Bishop, if the accused, within three calendar months, shall report to him that he is prepared to undergo his trial, and shall appear for that end before the Council; and if he does not so report and appear, the Bishop, in view of the charges in the presentment, may pass against him sentence of degradation from the Ministry.

SECTION 7.—Upon the application of the Standing Committee, or the accused, to the Bishop, setting forth that the attendance of a material witness cannot be had, he shall appoint a Clergyman, or Layman, as a Commissioner to take the deposition of such witness; and the party applying shall give to the other party five days notice of the time and place of taking the deposition. If the party to whom such notice is to be given, reside more than forty miles from the place appointed for taking the deposition, an additional day, exclusive of Sunday, shall be allowed for every twenty miles. The examination shall be in writing, and signed by the witness; and the deposition, certified by the Commissioner and transmitted, under seal, to the Council.

SECTION 8.—When the trial shall be gone through, the Council shall declare, in a writing to be signed by the several members, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty, or not guilty; and if guilty, suggesting what sentence, in their opinion, ought to be pronounced. They shall forward the decision, together with the evidence and the record of the proceedings, to the Bishop; whereupon, the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall to him appear proper, and such sentence shall be final. But if, in the opinion of the Bishop, the accused ought to have a new trial, he shall have power to award it; in which case, a new Council shall be convened, before which the proceedings shall be conducted, as before provided.

SECTION 9.—If at any time the accused shall confess the truth of the charges, the Bishop, (such confession being made to him, or being certified to him by the Council,) shall proceed to pass sentence; and if, when put upon his trial before the Council, the accused shall neither admit, nor deny the charges, he shall be regarded as pleading not guilty:

SECTION 10.—It shall be the duty of the Bishop to report to the Convention, at its next session, after the trial of a Presbyter, or Deacon, as herein provided, the finding of the Council and his sentence thereupon.

CANON IV.

A list to be made of the Clergymen in this Diocese,

SECTION 1.—Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a list of all the Ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, canonically resident in this Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures or parishes, or of their stations as missionaries or chaplains, or of the colleges, academies, or other seminaries of learning, constituted by civil or ecclesiastical authority, in which they are engaged, or in regard to those who are not engaged in parishes, missions or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order on the first day of meeting, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. Such list shall then be referred to a Committee of three Clergymen appointed by the Chair, who shall forthwith consider and report who of the Clergymen, on said list, are entitled to all the privileges of members of the Convention; who are entitled to said privileges with the exception of the right to vote on matters pertaining to the temporal affairs of the Churches; who are entitled to seats, but not to votes, and who are not entitled to either seats or votes. Such list, thus reported and approved of by the Convention, shall be appended to the Journal, and shall be transmitted to the Secretary of every General Convention.

SECTION 2.—No Clergyman, while suspended from the Ministry, shall have a place on said list.

SECTION 3.—The right of any Clergyman of this Diocese to a seat in the Convention, shall, if disputed, be determined, according to the provisions of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

SECTION 4.—The Bishop shall take such measures for notifying the admission of Ministers into this Diocese, as may prevent unwary and ignorant people from being imposed upon by persons pretending to be authorized ministers of this Church. And his certificate shall be evidence of such admission.

RULES OF ORDER.



I. The opening of the Convention shall always be preceded by the Morning Service of the Church, a Sermon, and the administration of the Lord's Supper by the Bishop, or if the Episcopate be vacant, or the Bishop be not present, by the President of the Standing Committee. The business of every succeeding day shall be introduced with the Morning Service, and the business of every day shall be closed with appropriate Collects pronounced by the President.

II. At the opening of each Annual Convention, when the President shall have taken the Chair, the Secretary shall first call over, in alphabetical order, the names of the Clergy entitled to seats. He shall then call over the Churches entitled to representation, when the Delegates shall lay their certificates on the Secretary's table. These shall be referred to a Committee of Three, who shall forthwith examine them, and report to the Convention. A constitutional quorum having been found present, the President shall declare the Convention duly organized. Should the Committee have considered any testimonials unsatisfactory, these shall now be taken up, and the question of their sufficiency settled.

III. The further order of business for the first day of the session of the Convention shall be as follows :

1. The reading of the " Rules of Order."
2. The election of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.
3. The consideration of the application of Churches, or Parishes, for admission into the Convention.
4. The appointment, by the President, of Preachers for the first day of the next annual Convention.
5. The appointment, by the President, of two Standing Committees, viz : the Committee on Unfinished Business, one (1) Clergyman and two (2) Laymen ; the Committee on Finance, three (3) Laymen.
6. The annual communication of the Standing Committee of the Church.
7. The appointment of Special Committees.
8. Miscellaneous business.

IV. The daily order of proceedings, after the first day, shall be, on the President's taking the Chair :

1. The reading and approval of the Minutes.
2. Calling the names of members absent on the preceding day.
3. The appointment of the Standing Committee of the Church.

4. The choosing of Deputies to the General Convention.
5. Calling upon each delegation to pay the assessment on their respective Churches or Parishes, for the Bishop's Common Fund, and for the expenses of the Convention.
6. Reports to be called for in the following order:
 - Committee on Finance.
 - Treasurer of Bishop's Permanent, Common and Convention Funds.
 - Committee on Unfinished Business.
 - Conventional School Committee.
 - Trustees for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.
 - Committees appointed at preceding Convention.
 - Special Committees.
7. Miscellaneous Business.

V. Before the rising of the Convention, the minutes of the last day's proceedings shall be read and approved.

VI. The Bishop's Address shall be at any time in order.

VII. When the President shall take the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, unless to address the chair.

VIII. The delegation of each Church shall occupy one pew.

IX. No member shall absent himself from the Convention, unless he hath leave, or be unable to attend.

X. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Convention, he shall rise from his seat, and, without advancing, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself to the point in debate, and avoiding personality.

XI. When two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.

XII. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without leave of the Convention.

XIII. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not again be drawn into debate during the same session, except upon a motion to reconsider, which may be moved and seconded by any member who voted in the majority.

XIV. When the President is putting the question, no one shall hold private discourse, stand up, walk into, out of, across the Church.

XV. No motion shall be considered before the Convention, unless seconded and reduced to writing, if the President or any member require it. A Minister or Delegate may not second a motion offered by a Minister or Delegate of the same Church with himself.

XVI. When a question is before the House, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a day certain, to commit or amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are named. A motion

to strike out the word "Resolved," shall have precedence to a motion to amend; and, if carried, shall be equivalent to a rejection of the resolution. Subject to these exceptions, the question first moved shall be first put.

XVII. Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, and to postpone indefinitely, shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn may interrupt a speech, or any other business of the Convention.

XVIII. No leave of absence shall be indefinitely granted to any member, unless full and sufficient reason be given by him to the Convention.

XIX. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

XX. No member shall vote on any question, in the event of which he is immediately and personally interested, or in any case where he was not present when the question was put.

XXI. If any member, in speaking, or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Convention, the President *shall*, or any member *may* call to order; in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain. All questions of order shall be determined in the first instance, without debate, by the President; but any member may appeal from such decision to the Convention, and on such appeal, no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the Convention.

XXII. The President shall have the right to name a member to perform the duties of the Chair; but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment.

XXIII. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for Orders, shall be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

XXIV. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended, without the concurrence of two-thirds (2-3ds) of the members present.

XXV. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be read at the opening of every Convention, and shall be of force, unless repealed by a vote of the Convention.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That the following are the sums which each Parish, or Church, shall annually contribute to a fund, to be called "The Bishop's Common Fund;" to wit:

St. Michael's, - - -	\$300	St. Matthew's, - - -	\$10
St. Philip's, - - -	300	St. Luke's, - - -	15
St. Paul's, Radcliffeborough, 150		Church of the Holy Trinity,	
St. Peter's, - - -	100	Grahamville, - - -	15
Grace Church, - - -		Christ Church, Wilton, -	15
Prince George, Winyaw, - 50		St. Helena, St. Helena Island, 10	
St. John's, Berkley, - 50		St. Mark's, Clarendon, -	10
St. John's, Colleton, - - 50		St. James's, Goose Creek, -	10
Edisto Island, - - - , 50		St. David's, Cheraw, - -	10
All-Saints, Waccamaw, - 50		St. Andrew's, - - -	10
St. Helena, Beaufort, - - 35		Grace Church, Camden, -	10
St. Paul's, Pendleton, - - 30		Pineville and Upper St. John's, 10	
Trinity Church, Columbia, - 30		Prince William's Parish, -	10
St. James', Santee, . - 30		Grace Church, Sullivan's Island, 5	
North Santee, - - -		Christ Church, - - -	5
St. Bartholomew's, - - 25		St. James's, James Island, -	5
St. Paul's, Stono, - - 20		Trinity Church, Society Hill, 5	
St. Thomas and St. Dennis, 20		Prince Frederick's, - - -	5
Claremont, - - -	20	Christ Church, Greenville, 5	

Passed 1824. Amended at various times.

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Common Fund, shall punctually pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese, the sum of fifteen hundred (1500) dollars, annually, in quarterly payments, from said fund; to enable him to discharge his Episcopal duties.

Passed 1835. Amended 1841.

3. *Resolved*, That whatever balance may remain, after paying the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to the Bishop, shall be paid over to the Bishop's Permanent Fund.

Passed 1834. Amended.

4. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, in his annual summons to the different Parishes, or Churches, to state the quota of such Parishes or Churches, to the Bishop's Common Fund.

Passed 1830.

5. *Resolved*, That the Parishes of St. Philip's, St. Michael's, and St. Paul's Church, Radcliffeborough, and St. Peter's Church, and Grace Church, Charleston, shall each contribute ten (10) dollars annually, and each Parish or Church in the country five (5) dollars annually, towards defraying the expenses of the Convention; and that the Secretary, in issuing his summons to the Parish, or Churches, shall inform them of

this resolution ; and that, at each Annual Convention, the Treasurer shall apply to the Delegates of each Church, for their respective contributions.

Passed 1820. Amended 1829. 1848.

6. *Resolved*, That it be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention, for the time being, to furnish the Ministers of the several Parishes, or Churches, with blank copies of the usual form for the Reports ; and that they be, and they are hereby required, *henceforth*, to make their annual returns conformably to the same.

Passed 1826.

7. *Whereas*, according to the consecration service of the Protestant Episcopal Church, "devout and holy men, as well under the Law as "under the Gospel, moved either by the express command of God. or "by the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, and acting agreeably to "their own reason and sense of the natural decency of things, have "erected houses for the public worship of God, and separated them "from all *unhallowed worldly*, and *common* uses, in order to fill men's "minds with greater reverence for his glorious Majesty, and affect their "hearts with more devotion and humility in his service ;" and, whereas, the delivering of orations, and holding elections, on secular or political subjects and occasions, and the usual worldly accompaniments and circumstances, are thought inconsistent with both the letter and spirit of this declaration of the Consecration service, and have been found to give pain to many members of our Communion, and generally to be of injurious tendency ; therefore be it

Resolved by this Convention, That it be recommended to the Vestries of all Churches in this Diocese, to discourage, and, if possible, interdict the use of the Churches under their care, for all *unhallowed, worldly* and *common* purposes.

Passed 1828.

8. *Resolved*, That the custom of returning thanks for sermons preached before this body, is inexpedient and unnecessary, and shall not, in future, be observed.

Passed 1829.

9. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay, annually, to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the quota of this Diocese, towards defraying the contingent expenses of the General Convention.

Passed 1832.

10. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the several Clergymen having a Parochial charge, to give notice to their respective Congregations, on the Sunday preceding the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, that divine service may be expected every day during the sitting of the Convention.

Passed 1838. Amended.

11. *Resolved*, That the fund to be raised in conformity with a resolution for adopting measures to increase the Bishop's Permanent Fund, shall be called the "Convention Fund, raised for the increase of the Bishop's Permanent Fund ;" shall be entrusted to the charge of the Treasurer of the Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds ; and shall not be used, either principal or interest, except for the purpose of investment, until the income shall be adequate, together with the income of the Bishop's Permanent Fund, to the support of the Episcopate, independent of a Parochial charge.

Passed 1836, and amended.

12. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Parishes of the Diocese to defray the expenses of their respective Pastors, incurred by their attendance on the Diocesan Convention. *Passed* 1838.

13. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the members of our Church, who are proprietors of slaves, individually and collectively to take measures for the *support* of Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists, who are members of our Church, for the religious instruction of their slaves. *Passed* 1838.

14. *Resolved*, That it be urged upon the Rectors and Vestries of the country Parishes, to exert themselves to obtain the services of such Clerical Missionaries and Lay Catechists. *Passed* 1838.

15. *Resolved*, That every Missionary and Catechist be approved of by the Bishop. *Passed* 1838.

16. *Resolved*, That the Clergy be required, on some suitable occasion previously to the meeting of the Convention in each year, to call the attention of their respective congregations to the importance of the punctual attendance of Delegates at such Convention. *Passed* 1838.

17. *Resolved*, That no person who is a candidate for Orders, shall be admitted to a seat in this Convention, as a Lay-Delegate from any Parish or Church. *Passed* 1838.

18. *Resolved*, That it be respectfully recommended to the several Churches in this Diocese, that in the appointment of Delegates to the Diocesan Convention, they should select persons who are regular communicants of the Chrch. *Passed* 1841.

19. *Resolved*, That the Rector or officiating Minister, or in case of there being no Minister, the Chairman of the Vestry in the different Parishes be requested at as early a date as possible after each annual election of Vestry and Wardens of their Church, to forward a list of their names to the President of the Standing Committee, and also a list to the Secretary of the Convention, that they may be kept on file. *Passed* 1842.

20. *Resolved unanimously*, That whereas the practice of both public and private travelling on the Lord's day, is deemed to be a prevalent evil of the times ; and whereas, the 41st Canon of our Church, " of the due celebration of Sundays," prescribes that " all persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity using all godly and sober conversation,"

Resolved, That the attention of the members of our Church in this Diocese be solicited to the above Canon, *Passed* 1844.

21. *Resolved*, That hereafter in voting by ballot, the Secretary shall call the names of the Clergy and of the Churches in order, and the votes be brought forward and deposited with the Tellers as called for; and no vote shall be received after the Tellers begin to count the votes.

Passed 1847. *Amended* 1851:

DIOCESAN COMMITTEES, &c.

1. Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The Rev. Christian Hanckel, D. D. *Chairman.*

“ Paul Trapier,

“ Paul T. Gervais,

“ Paul Trapier Keith, *Secretary,*

“ W. W. Spear,

Dr. I. M. Campbell,

James H. Ladson,

H. D. Lesesne,

Edward Mc. Crady,

C. G. Memminger.

2. Deputies to the General Convention :

The Rev. C. Hanckel, D. D.

“ P. Trapier,

“ J. R. Walker,

“ C. C. Pinckney, Jr.

Hon. R. F. W. Allston,

Benjamin Huger, M. D.

Hon. R. W. Barnwell,

C. G. Memminger, Esq..

3. Trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen :

The Rt. Rev. C. E. Gadsden, D. D., *Chairman.*

N. R. Middleton,

J. W. Faber,

James R. Pringle, *Treasurer.*

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The Rev. Paul Trapier,

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5. Secretary and Treasurer of the Convention :

The Rev. C. Wallace, *Post Office, Charleston :*

Assistant Secretary, The Rev. E. A. Wagner, Charleston.

6. Treasurer of the "Bishop's Permanent and Common Funds,"
and of the "Convention's Fund for the increase of the Bishop's Permanent Fund:"

John Hanckel, *Bank of the State of So. Ca., Charleston.*

7. Committee on Calvary Church Charleston : to serve 4 years.

H. D. Lesesne,
William Jervey,
Edward Lowndes,
Thos. M. Hanckel,
George M. Coffin,
W. E. Martin.

The next meeting of the Convention will be held in St. Michael's Church, Charleston, on the first Wednesday in May, 1853, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

C. WALLACE, *Secretary.*

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“ W. H. Hancel,	<i>Edisto Island.</i>
“ R. Henry, D. D.	<i>Columbia.</i>
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“ W. B. W. Howe,	<i>Monk's Corner.</i>
“ J. Hunter,	<i>Georgetown.</i>
“ N. Hyatt,	<i>South Santee, Way-mail.</i>
“ B. Johnson,	<i>St. Matthew's P. O.</i>
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" C. B. Walker,	Edgefield C. H.
" C. Wallace,	Charleston.
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